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about us

Crown Point Community School Corporation grew by **22.5%**, rising from **6760** to **7011** students.

Crown Point High School was at **105%** capacity, with a total of **2299** students: **616** freshman, **580** sophomores, **564** juniors, and **539** seniors.

We were ranked **8th** in state for enrollment growth.

There were **166** students per square mile in the **16.6** square miles of Crown Point.



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Why
88%
students graduated within 4 years.

Our lives seemed to be ruled by numbers. We saw them in the select group of friends at the lunch table, the recorded **statistics** of a game, and the **data** our UbD, SAT, ACT, AP and ISTEP test scores generated. We planned our lives around those special **dates**: the big game, dances, and graduation.

We felt the "numbers" pressing upon us as we walked alongside the 2,300 other students shuffling at different paces, facing different challenges, pondering different thoughts. If value was measured in a school population **census**, how rich would we be?

Numbers often defined who we were. From our class ranking, to the number of points we scored in a sporting event, to the amount of **time** spent in after-school events, to the amount of **revenue** we generated for fund-raisers—numbers surrounded us.

—Story by Shannon Compton and Nicole Krnich; Design by Nicole Akey



752 students participated in sports during the school year.

22 AP classes were available for students to take.



>>One. The cheerleaders and football players cheer the football team onto victory against Lake Central. The boys defeated the Indians 31-14 on the home field.

>>Two. Trevor M. Auban dresses up like a kissing booth for Halloween. Many of his close friends kept coming up to him throughout the day and asking him for kisses.

>>Three. Volleyball fans, Eric Manley (171), Anthony Conway (11), Dustin Woosley (11), and Andrew Szymborski (11) anticipate the next point. These football players attended the volleyball games when they occurred after practice.



26 girls participated in Color Guard.
26 purchased one student ticket to the fall play & spring musical.

>>One In an attempt to catch their flags, Holly Shaffer (10), Renee Kaplan (11), and Mallory Julian (12) perform during the Homecoming half-time show called *In the Shadow of Dragons*. "We were doing the opening movement, which was my favorite. The routine had three different movements, and three different songs," Holly said.

>>Two Shaking hands, Dustin Kartuska (12) greets Santa Claus, portrayed by Dominick Pilipovich (11) on the last day before Winter Break. "It was my birthday, and I thought it would be fun to dress up. I turned 17 that day," Dominick said.

>>Three With a duct-taped ax in hand, senior Kaitlyn Klein collides into senior Christopher (C.J.) Pawlikowski during the fall play *Noises Off*. "It was great to work with Kaitlyn because we had been in productions together since our freshman year," C.J. said.



Photo by Jonathan Newberry



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It's all about

Even our everyday routines rotated around **numbers**. Depending on where we lived, we had to set our alarms for those early hours between **4:30 and 6:30 a.m.** because the traffic was always backed up a **half-way** down Burrell Street. If we drove to school, we had to plan how long it would take us to get through the **4-way** stop, park in our **numbered** spot, and walk from the parking lot to our **1st hour** class by **7:25**.

Within those first moments of thinking each morning, **numbers** had already invaded our thoughts before we even stepped into a mathematics or science classroom.

After attending the first **three** or **four** classes, we made our way to the cafeteria, paid **\$1.85** for lunch and tried to figure out if we could snag **one** of the **eight** seats available at the round tables. The last half of the day we spent waiting for that **2:27** bell and planning how we would spend our time after the school day.

Numbers...they defined us in so many ways. -By Nicole Akey

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Photo by Melissa Mashay

7:30 p.m.: Male Varsity cheerleaders Benjamin Allen (12) and Ethan Breitweiser (10) run down the track in front of fans while waving

the Crown Point flag after a touchdown during a home football game against Lake Central. "Being a cheerleader made all the football

games more fun because cheerleading allowed me to really get into the games," Benjamin said. "Cheering the football team on made

me feel like I was a part of the team too, win or lose. Of course, my favorite part of the game was watching the team win."

time

By Melissa Machan

It was all about time. It was about the time to finish the loads of homework, the time to study for mandatory tests, the time to get ready for a dance, the time to show school spirit at a sporting event, the time to spend with friends, and most of all, the time to figure out how to fit everything in.

"Senior year was especially crazy," senior Jessica Kortas said. "With all the physics projects, the infamous Legacy Project, and all the college applications to fill out, plus working, I hardly had any time for myself or to hang out with friends."

But some students discovered that much-needed

time for themselves, whether it was relaxing or spending time with friends and having fun.

"Going to dances was a great opportunity to have some fun with your friends," junior Matthew Lindgren said. "Even though it took time to get ready and plan everything out, the dances were worth it because it was always a blast."

Finding time, while difficult, was essential to surviving high school.

"With all the difficult classes and extracurricular activities, I definitely needed some time for myself," freshman Anna Bucci said.



Photo by Nicole Chronis

7:45 p.m. During the Homecoming football game, Mark Rosenwinkel (12) raises his boom box for everyone to hear after a touchdown.



Photo by Nicole Chronis

11:20 a.m. During lunch, Beth Iddings (12) laughs at a joke. "My lunch table was amazing," Beth said. "Sometimes, our conversations went awry."



Photo by Nicole Chronis

9:05 a.m. Jennifer Wanatowicz (11) donates blood during the annual Heartland Blood Drive. Students were given shirts after giving blood.



Photo by Nicole Chronis

2:30 p.m. Brandon Meyers (12) checks his messages on his cell phone. "I could only get good reception near the windows," Brandon said.

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Photo submitted by Tiffany Wilson

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Photo submitted by Holly Adams

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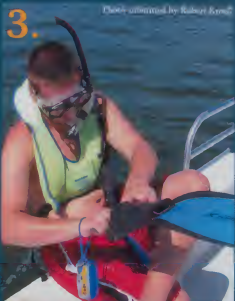


Photo submitted by Robert Kroell



We were shaking out a rock that was full of specimens and were looking for little creatures.

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Photo submitted by Ashley Lionberger

>>one. August: Working with her horse "Missy," Tiffany Wilson (12) prepares for the Lake County Fair 4-H competition. Tiffany witnessed the birth of Missy's colt in the summer. "It was the first time I had ever seen a baby being born," Tiffany said.

>>two. June: On a water ride called the "Wild Thing" Angie Adams (2004), Laura Unhoch (12), Holly Adams (12) and Mallory VanderPol (2004) enjoy their summer vacation in Wisconsin. The girls spent much of their time in the water.

>>three. July: Putting on his gear in Key Largo, Florida while traveling with the marine biology class, Molly Raspovich (10) and Robert Kroell (11) gets ready to go snorkeling. "It was annoying trying to put all the gear on, but once we got in the water, it was a lot of fun," he said.

>>four. August: While participating in the marine biology class, Molly Raspovich (10) and Ashley Lionberger (10) participate in an experiment. "We were shaking out a rock full of specimens looking for little creatures," Ashley said.

Summer Fun

Students spend summer days enjoying free time

The last bell rang at 10:50 a.m. and students ran yelling and cheering out the doors into the bright sunshine and the eighty-degree temperature. Those who rode the bus sang from the windows, "School's Out for the Summer," as those in cars honked their horns and squealed their tires.

"I couldn't wait to hear that last and final bell," sophomore Sarah Jenkins said.

After the last day of school, senior Josh McCollum began life-guarding at Lake of the Four Seasons Pool and also picked up a few hours at the newly opened Cold Stone Creamery.

"The Creamery was a new place and seemed like a fun place to work. Also, I really needed a job," Josh said.

While many students found summer employment, others took summer classes. Every year, a group of about twenty students traveled to Key Largo, Florida to earn a semester of science credit in marine biology.

While there, the students literally swam with the sharks. Junior Jennifer Wanatowicz joined her classmates on the trip.

"I loved it; it was everything I expected and

more," Jen said. "My instructor woke up a sleeping shark, which was really scary."

Also hoping to enhance her education, junior Emily Mavrelis participated in the French foreign exchange program and spent a month in Montreal, Quebec with a family that barely spoke English.

"I learned so much, met some really cool people, and saw new things; it was a rocking time," she said.

Those involved in athletics had to schedule their summer vacations around practices and games, while a few students traveled for their teams. For example, Steve Albrecht visited Georgia for a basketball tournament and the girls' soccer team attended a camp at Indiana University in Bloomington.

"It was a good bonding experience," senior Ashley Dobbins said.

One student spent his summer coming to Crown Point. Senior Serge Mosendz moved from Vancouver, Canada.

"I was glad I moved here; I really liked the soccer here; but I missed the skiing back home," Serge said. -By Nicole Krnich



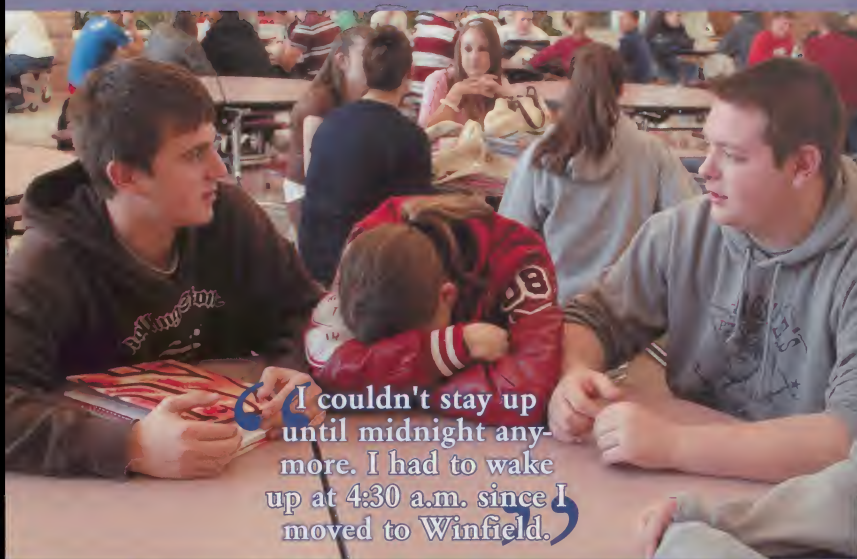
>>five. July: Blinded by the sun on a hot summer day at West Beach, Nick Zolfo (12) laughs as he jokes with his friends. "Some of the best times happened at the beach. I always had a fun time when I was there," Nick said. Lake Michigan beaches were a hot spot in the summer and only a 20-minute drive.



>>six. August: Bringing out a morning wake up call, Mr. Pitcock supplies coffee for the seniors who slept outside the school doors the night before car registration. "We had a super fun time sleeping at the school," Brandon Meyers (12) said. Brandon and Jeff Beall (12) claimed the first available spots, numbers 14 and 15.



>>seven. July: Posing in front of the famous Eiffel Tower in Paris, France, Michelle Farnsworth (11) enjoys a tour of The City of Lights. "Paris was my favorite part of the France trip," Michelle said. "I had waited so long to see it, and it was amazing!"



I couldn't stay up until midnight anymore. I had to wake up at 4:30 a.m. since I moved to Winfield.



Photo by Mandy Riggs

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>>one E LUNCH: Yrskaneking in the first line of students waiting for food. The students waiting for food in the cafeteria were not allowed to sit on the floor. They had to stand in line and wait for their food. The students waiting for food in the cafeteria were not allowed to sit on the floor. They had to stand in line and wait for their food.



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>>two E LUNCH: Amy Krimkus (10) and Kathryn Papamichalakis (10) stand in line waiting to see what the deli line has to offer on its new, more nutritious menu. The girls were close friends and ate together every day. With the new healthier requirements for the cafeteria, the menu changed from last year. "My favorite food was the turkey wrap," Amy said.



Photo by Mandy Riggs

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>>three E LUNCH: With some time spent during lunch, Kathryn Kibben (12) finished her homework in the cafeteria. "I did my homework at school because I didn't want to have to do it at home," Kathryn said. Kathryn had a very bad experience in school. Her friend's parents were very strict, and she had a very bad experience in school. Her friend's parents were very strict, and she had a very bad experience in school.

Back to School

New students relate experiences

She didn't know what to expect or how to prepare, but she did the best she could. She walked into school and sat down in a seat just like she had done many times before. However, this time was different. It was not only her first day of high school, but her first day at a brand new school.

"It was hectic trying to get to all of my classes on time. A couple of times I got lost," freshman Jessica Copeland said.

Moving to a new school posed challenges. "It was hard. I didn't know many people. I did have a few friends I'd met before," Jessica said.

With a five percent increase in population, being a new student was not unique. However, not every student experienced the same diffi-

culties. Freshman Ivan Dimitrovski, who moved from Merrillville, found things similar to his old school.

"The classes and teachers were just about the same. It was not really hard for me to make friends. I was very outgoing," he said.

However, senior Valerie Grace, missed many aspects of her old school. "I missed the lunches and of course, all my friends, but the most difficult adjustment was knowing that I would not graduate from the school I had been at for three years."

After eighty-two days of summer freedom, both old and new students mingled together creating a population of almost 2,300, unequaled since the late 1970's.

-By Amanda Riggs and Ashley Smith



Zero hour: Spending zero hour together in the cafeteria with her friends Daniel Marsh (12), Keith Crane (11) and David Akey (11), Jennifer Delong (11) tries to get used to being up early for school after a long summer break. Usually stay up until midnight any more. I had to get up at 4:30 a.m. since I moved to Westfield, Ill. and Zero hour begins at 7:00 a.m. and ends with the first hour bell at 7:15.

Photo by Jon Newberry



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Four zero hour: Standing at his locker at 7:11 a.m. during the beginning of the school year, Jared Reynolds (11) looks over his chemistry/physics homework for the day. Andrews could usually be found in the junior locker bay during zero hour. Each morning, he initially looked at what I needed to accomplish for Mr. Andrew Shih's (science) class. Jared said.



Photo by Jon Newberry

>>five zero hour: In preparation for his first hour pre-calculus class with Mr. Mike David, Adam Kukulska (12) searches through his locker for his math book. Adam carried many of his books in his backpack throughout the day. "I had plenty of time to get to my locker in between classes, but my locker was a little bit more messy than clean," Adam said.



Photo by David James

>>six after school: On a sunny late August, Joe Kolava (11) and Andrew Fisher (11) lead their cross-country team during practice. "Once school started back up, coming to afternoon practice was difficult because we had already gone three miles in five mornings, then we tended school all day and then had to sometimes run 12 miles in the afternoon," Andrew said.



>>2:00 p.m: After the seniors won the relay races, senior class vice president Stacy Martin (12) "pies" newly-hired English teacher and basketball coach, Mr. Clint Swan. "It felt good to get back at the teachers for cheating in the race," Stacy said. In the race, the participants had to dress in football gear before running down the floor. The teachers interfered with the seniors by tossing their equipment across the gym floor.

104 varsity players sang the school song.



>>one 1:45 p.m.
Showing her support for the teams, Amanda Lukawski (11) paints a window in the junior locker bay for Spirit Week. "That week brought everyone together to show school support," Amanda said.



>>two 2:10 p.m.
At the pep rally, Alyssa Gallas (12), Stephanie Guard (12), Brittany Komarsinski (12), and Kathryn Armenta (12) sing the National Anthem. "It was neat because it showed school spirit," Alyssa said.



>>three 2:45 p.m.
Leading the student body at the end of the pep rally, football player Andrew Krumwied (12) sings the school song. "Coach Smoljan handed me the microphone, so I just took over," Andrew said.

All-Out Spirit

New teacher takes pie in the face

Early on the first Monday morning in October, a mass of red and white clothed bodies flooded the numerous high school doors. This could only mean one thing...Spirit Week.

With UbD exams the same week, the pep rally took place on Monday, instead of Friday once again. Spirited students anticipated the pep rally throughout every hour of the day because of the shortened class periods. Finally a voice came over the intercom, "It is now 1:55; all students may proceed to the gym for our Homecoming Pep Rally," school receptionist Karen Rodd said.

Singing the National Anthem, the Concert Choir kicked off the rally. Many clubs showed off their banners while marching around the gym, and the introduction of the Homecoming court followed. Finally, what everyone had been waiting for, the relay races, arrived.

Student Council members went head to head against the newly hired teachers promising the humiliating experience of being "pied" for losing.

"I was afraid I was going to break Mr. (Clint) Swan's nose when I smashed the pie in his face because there was barely any whip cream," senior Stacy Martin said.

With a pie-filled floor, the football players ended the rally singing the school song in front of the student body for the first time.

"It was nerve-racking to sing in front of everyone, but cool because I had never done it before," sophomore Mike Lipton said.

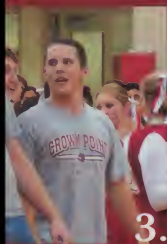
Everyday that passed during spirit week brought a different dress-up day. Pajama Day, one of the more popular days, took place on Thursday.

"I just wore to school what I wore to bed," junior Megan Tasher said.

Crazy-dressed students represented the excitement of Spirit Week.

"When I saw people dressed up for Spirit Week, it motivated me; it showed their support, and I knew they would be at the game," senior football player Mike Mohr said. -By Nick Hladek

Classes were cut by 5 minutes all day long.



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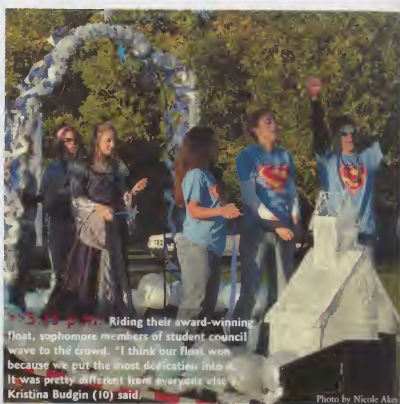
Four 12th Graders
Dressing up for "Random Costume Day," Helena Bilka (9) draws the attention of her friends wearing her banana costume. "Whenever I wore my banana costume, everyone tried to peel me." Helena said.

Five 10th Graders
Celebrating the junior class hallway decoration victory, Josh Strueb (11) antagonizes the senior class. "It was cool for the juniors to come out on top over the other classes." Josh said.



8:00 a.m. Standing on the sidelines, color guard members Angela Klien (11), Mallory Julian (12), Laura Katona (11) and Renee Kaplan (11) wait for half-time. "I didn't feel nervous at all before the Homecoming performance," Angie Klein (11) said.

Photo by Shannon Compton



3:15 p.m. Riding their award-winning float, sophomore members of student council wave to the crowd. "I think our float won because we put the most decorations into it. It was pretty different from everyone else," Kristina Budgin (10) said.

Photo by Nicole Alay

A record-breaking 5,500 fans attended.



Homecoming



KELSEY

freshman sophomore

Ben Cottrell & Morgan Kleinaman Brenden Morin & Kelsey Drasga

Homecoming Court



junior

Nicole Pfommer & Steve Albrecht

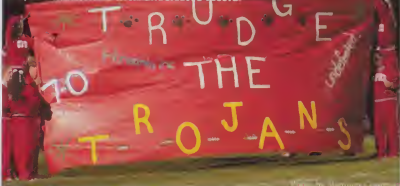


senior

Natalie Polisson

Photo by Nicole Alay

7:00 p.m. Keeping the Homecoming banner steady, the cheerleaders wait for the charging football players. "It was really exhilarating, anticipating the boys running through," Abbie Pillar (11) said. The football team entered the game with a record of 7-0, and maintained their undefeated record.



11:00 p.m. Warming up, the entire football team is performing karate under a full, harvest moon. Crossovers were one of the sixteen warm-ups they did before the game. "During the warm-up, there were many things running through me, such as excitement and anticipation," Mike Mohr (12) said.

Photo by Shannon Compton

Homecoming

Boys defeat Trojans 41 to 21, maintain winning streak

As the football moms tossed red and white beads into a crowd containing 5,500 plus fans, the seniors chanted "BJK!", the nickname of their beloved social studies teacher, Bernard John Kowalski. Mr. Kowalski acknowledged their shouts from the sidelines of the field.

A full moon hovered over the clean-cut field as the undefeated football team prepared to face the Chesterton Trojans.

"Everyone was really anxious and ready to go," junior Scott Rutherford said.

The first 12 minutes of the game proved to be a simple one for the players; they immediately took a 21-0 lead.

"I enjoyed the fact that we blew the other team away within the first quarter of the game," junior Kate Gardiner said.

After scoring 13 more points in the second quarter, the players left the field as the Homecoming queen nominees, dressed in formal attire, came forward.

As an eerie silence passed over the crowd as the nominees waited to see whose name would be called. Then, the silence shattered as Mr. Mike Malaski (English) announced "Natalie Polissou" as the new queen.

"It was a nice feeling to know that people thought enough of me to nomi-

nate me," Natalie said.

The players then returned to the field, scored seven more points and earned a 41-21 victory over the Trojans. At the same time, they managed to maintain their undefeated streak.

Among the events on that Friday evening which included the parade held before the game, the excitement of victory, and the record-breaking crowd, what was the best part of Homecoming?

"Probably being in the stands and screaming with everyone for all the touchdowns," senior Stephanie Valois said.

-By Shannon Compton

Football moms threw red & white beads.



Taking a quick time out.

Coach Kevin Enright and Coach Smoljan give advice to the football team about their next play. "The Homecoming game was the most exciting because the community and the school planned events that got us ready, like the pep rally and Spirit Week," Matt Childress (11) said.

when you wish upon a star

Homecoming dance attendees celebrate under stars

Under the canopy of silver balloon arches and twinkling lights, Homecoming dance attendees moved to an array of music from hip hop to country, and everything in between.

"When they played Aerosmith's 'I Don't Want to Miss a Thing,' my friends and I sang the words really loud because we love to make fun of that song," senior Rebecca Asher said.

Although students could be seen dancing in pairs, group dancing proved to be a popular choice.

"The most memorable part of homecoming was dancing with all my friends," junior Amy Fairchild said.

"Sexy Back' by Justin Timberlake was our cross country team's theme song, and we all loved it. During the song, we all found each other and had our own dance party," junior Ellen Kapitan said. -By Joey McColley



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Photo by Joey McColley

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Photo by Joey McColley

>>five. 8:31p.m:

John Travolta anyone? Showing his disco moves, Benjamin Allen (12) mimics the character Tony Manero from the film *Saturday Night Fever*. "I was dancing the night away for my date, Kristine Bielak," Ben said.

>>six. 7:53p.m:

Surrounded by his friends Joseph Maginot (11), Jacquelin Altpeter (11), and Mara Ficker (11), Derek Nuss (11) entertains the close group with his dance moves. "I was just kicking it in the crowd," Derek said.

>>seven. 9:47p.m:

As they try to do a little salsa dancing, Alyssa Glover (12) and Ryan Forney (12) laugh at themselves. "Ryan and I were dancing to some crazy Spanish song," Alyssa said.



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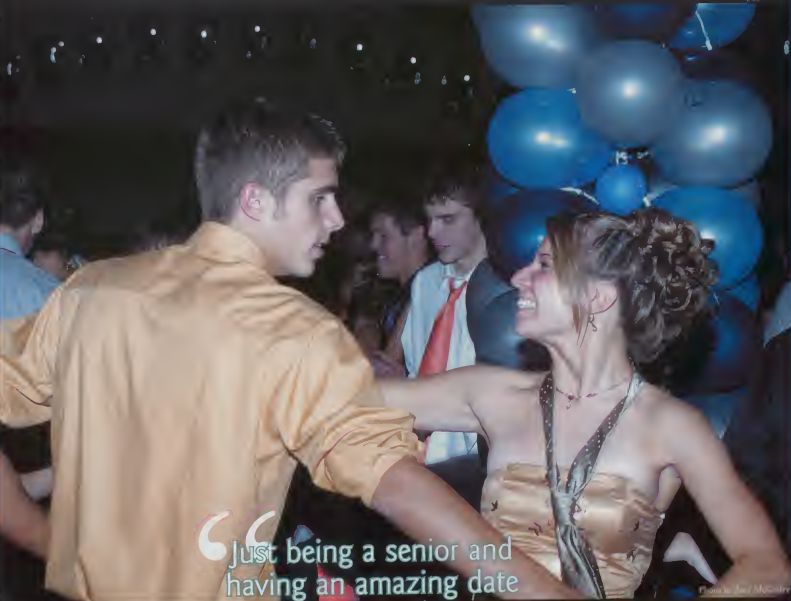
Photo by Joey McColley

>>one 8:00 p.m. Visiting the lemonade fountain in the lobby, James Gutierrez (12) stops for some refreshments. "I went to the refreshment table like every half hour. I was sweating so badly, because I was having the time of my life," James said. The students drank over 40 gallons of lemonade.

>>two 9:43 p.m. As the evening began to wind down, the DJ plays a slow, romantic song for the couples dance while Andrew Perillo (11) focuses on his date, Michelle Laurie (12). "I danced with my beautiful girlfriend, Michelle, to that old song 'Lady in Red,'" Andrew said.

>>three 9:20 p.m. After being crowned Mr. Football by alumni Matt Janson (2006), Matt Ernest (12), and his date Ashley Bernacchi (12) take to the dance floor. "Ashley and I had a really great time together," Matt said. The senior football players were eligible for Mr. Football. The student body chose their favorite representative by secret ballot in English classes.

>>four 8:47 p.m. On a crowded dance floor, Adam Kukulski (12) and Brittany Kominski (12) dance together. "Just being a senior and having an amazing date made everything perfect," Brittany said. Close to 1100 students attended the dance beating last year's attendance record by a few. The dance was open to both the underclassmen and upperclassmen.



“Just being a senior and having an amazing date made everything perfect.”

>>one. 8:30 p.m.: While singing and dancing together, Kathryn Armenta (12) and Kyle Snow (11) move to a slow song. "My favorite part of the dance was being able to dance with Kathryn. She was what made Turnabout amazing," Kyle said.

>>two. 9:20 p.m.:

Instead of attending the dance, Lauren Pines (13) worked as a DJ. "I loved the dance, what you saw, 'DJing'!

for people that you knew, you got so involved with the crowd and had so much fun," Lauren said.

>>three. 7:45 p.m.: After seven hours of getting ready, Lindsay Gernenez (11) and her boyfriend David Miller, enjoy dancing to a fast song. "I had my hair done, my eyebrows done, a manicure and a pedicure, and then my mom did my hair for me, Lindsey said. "I was really excited to go to the dance. I thought the music was pretty good, but all the slow songs were about being cheated on!"

>>four. 8:47 p.m.: Dance attendees line up waiting for the DJ to throw out the door prizes the waiting crowd at the Turnabout dance held at St. Elipah's hall in Merrillville. He gave away inflatable guitars, sombreros, sunglasses, Mardi Gras beads and glow sticks. "I enjoyed going up and catching all the free stuff the DJ threw out and then giving it to my girlfriend, Bryanna Firchau," Brian DeRuntz (11) said.



Walking in a winter Wonderland

Turnabout's wintery theme proves enchanting

Matching the cold February weather, snowflakes hung gently from the ceiling, while white, twinkling lights draped around white artificial trees donned the entrance of St. Elijah's hall.

"There were a lot of long lines to get into the dance, and it was freezing outside," senior Laura Kuyachich said.

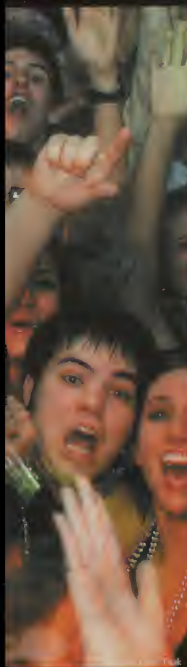
The dance team, along with students' moms, created a Winter Wonderland theme with blue and white decorations and ornaments. Each table was adorned with holiday ornaments and crystal candle sticks.

As the night went on, the DJ played fast-paced dance music along with a few slow, romantic songs, and threw out many door prizes into the crowd. People rushed to the front of the stage to grasp the inflatable guitars, sunglasses, glow sticks and beads.

"The DJ music was better than any other dance. They played new music that was good to dance to," sophomore Margaret Wilson said. -By Bryanna Pirchau.



by Larry Tjebk



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>>>five 9:20 p.m.: "I enjoyed hanging out and laughing with my friends, not to mention the dancing," Laura Katona (11) said. Laura attended the dance with her boyfriend, Steve Staples, a graduate from Griffith High School and her friends Samantha Darnell (10) and Anthony Santos (11).

>>>six. 9:47 p.m.: Nick Bouldin (11) teaches Amanda Vavrek (10) how to dance. "During the song, I was teaching her how to 'Lean with it. Rock with it,'" Nick said.

>>>seven. 7:53 p.m.: Showing off her glow stick, Meredith Luedtke (12) and her best friend Megan Frickie (12) dance together. "Merrilee and I didn't want to go with boys this year. Since it was our senior year, we figured it was time for just the girls to have some fun," Megan said.



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>>two: Before attending the Grand March, Ashley Monaghan (12) pins a boutonniere on her date Billy Morrison (12). "I had to order it in advance and then I had to go pick it up at Jewel. It was the hardest thing to put on, and my grandma had to help me," Ashley said.

Photo submitted by Ashley Monaghan



>>two: While posing for the crowd, Trent St. Aubin (10) and Ashlee Jones (11) strut down the walkway of the Grand March. "I was honored as a sophomore to be able to attend a prom (that) was designated for juniors and seniors only," Trent said.

Photo by Larry Tink

Out of the \$27,000 spent, \$13,000 went towards dinner.



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>>three: 3:40: While on the way to the Grand March, Caroline Diamond (12), Jon Parry (12), Katie Kvachkoff (12), Adam Budgin (11), Anthony Nelson (12), Beth Iddings (12), Ben Allen (12) and Angie Budgin (12) enjoy their beverages provided by their limo driver.

Photo submitted by Melissa Williams



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>>four: Ana Radiceska (12) walks at the Grand March with her date, Rafael Gerodimos. "The Grand March was so amazing, and the fact that my sister was just behind me in the Grand March just made it ten times better," Ana said.

Photo by Larry Tink

Pre-Prom Prep



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Photo by Melissa Ancey

>>five: 9:20 p.m.: In preparation for Prom, Meghan Frost (12) paints her nails while Amanda Lukawski (11) and Jenni Reid (12) enjoy their drinks. "We threw an amazing pre-prom party at Katie Weller's," Meghan said. "Amanda's mom made us the cutest basket full of girly drinks."



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Photo submitted by Jackie McCaughlin

>>five: 2:30 p.m.: Helping Jackie McCaughlin (12) with her preparations for prom, Matt Lindgren (11) holds the hair curler for her as she gets ready for the dance. "Matt made a great hair stylist. My hair looked beautiful," Jackie said.



Photo submitted by Ryan Forney

>>five 4:15 p.m.: In preparation for the Grand March, Alyssa Glover (12) pins an orange rose on Ryan Forney's (12) suit. It took Alyssa a good four or five tries of stabbing me before she got the boutonniere on, but she was successful in the end," Ryan said.

Prom Preparations

Eighty dollars for tickets, \$15.00 for nails, \$40.00 for an updo at the local salon, \$40.00 for an unlimited tanning package for the month of April at The Villa, \$60.00 for flowers, and \$400 for a down payment on the limo that took many students to Prom headed the beginning of the long list of expenses for Prom attendees.

"I spent \$590 in total on Prom. My dress alone was \$500, but everything else only cost \$90," senior Kathryn Armenta said.

On the other hand, some Prom attendees

decided to budget their money in a more economical way.

"I made my dress, and it only cost me about \$50, and then, I only spent \$44 on everything else, like nails, flowers and accessories," senior Sarah Board said.

Money was not the only thing that girls needed to budget. Time was an important factor in preparing for the big night.

"It took a whole three hours just to do my hair, and then it only took me twenty minutes to put on my dress, accessories, and apply

my make-up," senior Mallory Julian said.

Guys though were a different story.

"In total, I spent \$311 in total; \$127 on my tuxedo, \$40 on flowers, \$64 on the limo and \$80 on the tickets," senior Andrew Peretin said.

Time was spent a little more sensibly as well as money.

"It took me about two to three hours to get ready because I had to wash and wax my car and shine my shoes," senior Ethan Sumner said. **-By Nicole Akey**

Girls spend a bundle in preparation for Prom

The purchase of center pieces cost about \$2,000.



>> THE PROM: With his two dates, Mary Haynes (I) and Tiffany Maddle (II) on his arms, Gordon Hooton (II) walks down the Grand March path. "It was really neat to be able to go to my junior prom with two of my best friends," Tiffany said.

romantic night in the park

seniors enjoy their final formal farewell

Waking up in the morning on Saturday, May 12th, it was obvious that there could not have been a better day for prom. The solid 75 degree weather, blue skies, and deep green landscape proved the perfect backdrop for pre-prom pictures.

"My group met at my house for pictures before the grand march, and surprisingly, everyone was actually on time," senior Andrew Krumwied said.

After an hour or two of non-stop smiling, it was time for the dance to begin. Crowned prom king and queen, seniors Josh Box and Shelly Kiefer had the first dance as seniors Christopher Johnson and Natalie Polisson sang the New Radicals song, "Someday We'll Know," while the rest of the attendees ate a dinner of roasted chicken, pasta, mashed potatoes, and corn. Then it was finally time for the dancing to begin.

"I loved how crowded the dance floor was," senior Katie Kvachkoff said. "Everyone was squashed together and dancing with everyone."

Around 9:45 p.m. the crowd began to thin as students headed their separate ways. Although some chose to stay local, many took the opportunity to head out and enjoy the night life in Chicago.

"We took a limo to Second City and out to eat," Andrew said. "I had the greatest time with my friends and girlfriend and made some great memories." -By Meghan Frost



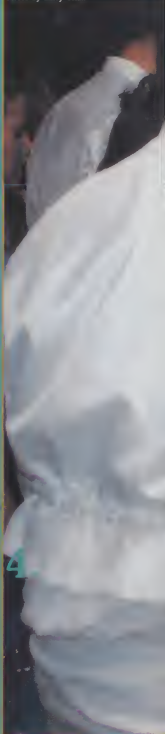
>>one. 4:30 PM On the platform with other members of the prom court, Amanda McCormick (12) watches the Grand March come to a close while her date Dan Byrd (12) checks the time on his cell phone. Members of the prom court arrived early and sat through the entire hour-long march. "I was so glad that Dan and I went together," Amanda said. "He was a lot of fun to go with and a great dancer."



>>two. 6:15 PM With time to spare before dinner was served, Corey Hill (12) and his date Jessica Kortas (12) take a moment to catch up with Scott Rutherford (11). "That was the second dance that I attended with Jessy," Corey said. "I had an absolute blast going to prom with her. We have been best friends since the fifth grade and we had an absolutely unforgettable time together."



Photo by Larry Titak



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Photo by Larry Titak

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>>one. 11:45 p.m. Surrounded by a sea of dresses the crowd dances as both the night and the dance floor heat up. The "Night in the Park" was, as tradition stated, held at the Halls of St. George in Schererville. One prom goer, Kyle Kocher, strayed from the typical path of renting a traditional tux, to order a vintage powder-blue tux from eBay. "It came directly from the 1970's," Kyle (12) said.

>>two. 4:45 p.m. Flashing a smile for an applauding crowd, Matt Parker (12) escorts his date during the Grand March. "Everyone was thirsty before the dance, so after the Grand March we stopped at Jamba Juice in Merrillville," Matt said.

>>three. 6:45 p.m. Swaying together on the dance floor, Queen Shelly Kiefer (12) and King Joshua Box (12) kick off prom night with the traditional first dance. "It was surprising to win Queen," Shelly said. "I was honored because all the other girls that were nominated were so nice. It was like a dream come true to win."

"I had the greatest time spending prom with my friends and girlfriend and made some great memories."

>>8:54 p.m. With the evening in full swing, Eric Foley (Merrillville) Meredith Lattin (12) Tiffany Dines (12) and DJ Wameke (12) dance to one of the many upbeat songs played during the evening. "I thought that the music was overall good, but they should have played some more slow songs," Tiffany said.

Cruisin'

Students spend time, money to drive to school in style



Submitted by Matt Osójnicki

"The car came stock with 170 horsepower, but when we were finally done with all of the engine work, it had well over 450 horsepower," Matt Osójnicki (12) said. "Matt and his cousin Rick

spent months a year and a half working on the engine of their 1992 Mitsubishi 3000 GT V10. After buying the car at an auto auction in Dyer, Indiana, Matt and his cousin spent many hours

of their time and much of their hard-earned money building a car that would surpass any *four-door* in the area. The performance modifications made to the engine could easily bring

the car and its driver to speeds nearing 200 miles per hour. "The modifications (18 in all) ranged anywhere from a racing clutch to a new blow-off valve for the twin turbos," "We planned on doing a

lot more to the car, but we didn't really feel like putting any more of our time into it," Matt said. "It took a lot of time to do what we did, and it was a lot of hard work."

Photo by Adam Merkel



Like many other people, Malen Desanovic (10) always dreamed of having a Ford Mustang. "I wanted a Mustang my whole life, and I was finally able to get one," Malen said. Malen worked at Lucrezia's Restaurant saving up money to buy his dream car. "Once I earned \$5400, my dad helped me out and put in the rest of the money," Malen said. "I had a 1999 Dodge Neon Mustang was not very fuel efficient. "I had to fill up my gas tank every three days," Malen



Jimmy Page (11) took it upon himself to make his car noticeable on both the inside and out. "I spent my entire holiday break painting the interior of my car," Jimmy said. The inside of the 1999 Dodge Neon was completely painted to match the outside of the car and the color scheme Jimmy was looking for. "I put in about 28 hours of work just painting the dashboard," Jimmy said. To add a finishing touch to his hard work, Jimmy also installed six, eight-inch LED bars to make the interior glow while driving at night.

Photo by Adam Merkel



After purchasing a 1971 Chevrolet Chevelle from his cousin, Joe Johnson (11) knew that he enjoyed everything about older cars. "Older cars were a lot of fun to drive and better than new ones. Every time you start it, it does something new," Joe said. Joe replaced the original engine in the Chevelle with a brand new Chevrolet 350-cubic-inch small block engine. Despite the fact that the engine would only take premium gas, Joe continued to drive his car. "I didn't have many other options. It's not like I could take the train to school," Joe said.



After buying a 1967 Ford Mustang for \$2000, Zak Macfarlane (11) decided to turn the old muscle car into a project. "When I bought it the floor was rotted out, so I had to rebuild the interior from the floor up," Zak said. In order to make sure the work on the car could be at its very best, Zak planned on getting a Ford Explorer as a daily-driver while he was busy building the Mustang from the ground up. However, the need to rebuild the car did not affect Zak's purchase. "I've always really liked old cars, so when I had the chance to buy one, I took it," Zak said.

Eye on Fashion

Students express individuality through unique styles

Skinny Jeans



Photo by Kara McIVER

"I wore skinny jeans because I always wanted to look just like Kyle Kocher," Jessica Lamparski (11) said.

She said, "They looked like the pants my 45-year-old aunt would wear. I could not have imagined they were very stylish or comfortable for the girls that wear them," Jake Libarskas (12) said.

Boots



Photo by Kara McIVER

"I loved wearing boots. They were always so cute, and they were very functional in winter," Jenny Jacobs (11) said.

She said, "They looked stupid. Girls didn't tuck their pants into regular shoes, why did they do it with boots? It looked like they were going on a safari," Josh Black (11) said.

Boot Cut Jeans



Photo by Kara McIVER

"The blue jeans always made me feel good on the inside," Mike Kmieciak (12) said.

"I thought that they made the boys look much more sophisticated, as long as they were not too tight," Lauren Weiss (11) said.

Messy Hair



Photo by Kara McIVER

"I liked the slimy texture of the hair gel in my locks and the result appeared to be a heap of mess," Ralph Doctor (12) said.

He said, "If a boy was single, he couldn't have messy hair because he had to impress all the ladies," Kimberly Sapota (10) said.

Long Sweaters



Photo by Kara McIVER

"Long sweaters were cute for the right season. If they were too short, they looked like the ones people made it work," Claire Kowalski (11) said.

She said, "I didn't like long sweaters because they looked goofy. They were too long," Mike Plumb (11) said.



Photo by Kara McIVER

He said, "Scarves were good for keeping warm, but even better for giving your winter setup some style," Joe Lukawski (12) said.

She said, "They had to have a really strong personality to pull it off. If they were artsy, it worked, but if they were not, they look weird," Jenn Bane (11) said.





3:30 p.m.: Posing beneath the
glims at Larry Titak's photography
studio, Lindsay Fols (12), Shannon
Kane (11), Kaitlin Wagner (10),
Ashley Morfin (11), Kyle Kocher
(12), Lauren Dunn (11), Rachel
Bass (11), Ashley Morfin (10) and
Kara McIver (12) pose for a photo
shoot. The students are posing for
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chosen to represent many of the
popular clothing trends that could be
seen when strolling down the
hallway. From fashionistas to kings
of comfort, nine different students
meant nine very different styles.
"There was a whole lot of eye kick
in that room," Kyle Kocher (12)
said of the photo shoot. Kyle's
comment also summed up what one
may have thought when walking

through the school. Everyday there
was someone sporting something
trendy, or something so plain, it
became trendy. Although many
students took extra time when
choosing a trendy outfit to wear
to school, others decided to follow
their own style sense. "Being trendy
was completely overrated," Shannon
Egan (12) said. Dave Robbins (11)
agreed with her laid-back attitude.

"I didn't wear anything super-
trendy," he said. "I just wore
whatever I liked." While looking
casual was pretty much the standard
with jeans, bulldog T-shirts, and
sweatshirts making up the bulk of
the student body's wardrobe, there
were students who took the time to
dress up. "Dressing up made me feel
good," Ashley Morfin (10) said. **By
Meghan Frost & Kara McIver**

Double take

Student similarities trigger second glances

Did your friends constantly confuse you with a younger sibling? Did you have to search the comics to find your twin, or were you fortunate enough to resemble a celebrity?

Some students were able to find their look-a-like in the hallways.

"People always confused me and my sophomore sister Sonya in the hallway. It was annoying," junior Lexie DuBernard said.

Siblings weren't the only people worthy of a double take.

"I thought Mr. (Kit) Degenhart (Drama) looked like Ben Affleck," junior Daniel Neill said.

One teacher even made a remark on a student's appearance.

"Mr. Rodriguez (Health) told me I looked like the kid (Edward Furlong) from *The Terminator 2*," sophomore Andrew Bocanegra said with a shrug. "I didn't even know who he was talking about."

In some instances, the resemblance proved comical. Junior Andy Misch was told that he resembled a certain clay character named Gumby.

"Gumby? I had never heard I looked like Gumby before then," Andy said.

"Actually, I thought that was pretty sweet."

Whether or not students or someone students knew resembled a celebrity, a sibling, or a popular children's character, these look-a-likes brought about a second glance. -By Shannon Compton



Photo submitted by Kyle Smith

54% of students heard they resembled a celebrity



>>one. Fourth Hour. As she talks with a friend in HERO class, Shannon Blazek (12) agrees that she must look like several people. What about model and actress Molly Sims? "Not really, but a lot of people told me I did," Shaninon said. "I thought it was kind of interesting to see how people viewed you. I had gotten comments that I looked like everyone from Gwen Stefani to Ashley Simpson to Daryl Hannah. It was crazy."

>>two. Saturday Afternoon: At Griffith Airport, Kyle Smith (12) checks his instruments before take off in a Piper Warrior single-engine aircraft. "Ever since sophomore year, people told me I looked like Tom Cruise," Kyle said. "Every single person I had met for the first time told me that I looked like him, almost immediately. People always added that I only looked like him, and then told me not to turn out like him. Cruise was a fitting look-a-like for me. Two words: Top Gun."



Sisters Hailey (11) and Alicia Gonlog (12) stand in the hallway together showing their similar features. They both knew what it was like to be mistaken for someone else. "People confused us while we were at school and at different events," Hailey said. "For instance, I had people behind me screaming Alicia's name, thinking I was her. She told me at home that people had mistaken her for me at school and different places too."

76% of students said they could pass for someone



Photo submitted by Joann Sutkowski



Photo submitted by Joann Sutkowski



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>>three. Evening: With her friend, the cat, Joann Sutkowski (11) shows how similar her eyes are to those of Bethany Joy Lenz. After seeing the show "One Tree Hill" on the CW, people began to tell Joann that she looked like character Haley Scott, played by Lenz. "People spoke about the resemblance my freshman year. I'd never seen the show before, so I started asking about it. Almost everyone I asked said we looked alike. Of course, I had to watch the show to see my 'twin,'" Joann said.

>>four. Fifth Hour: While sitting in his classroom, Mr. Bryan Tepper (Science) is asked if he agrees that he reminds others of Dilbert, the famous comic strip character drawn by Scott Adams. "I really didn't look like that nerd, did I?" he asked. "Contrary to popular belief, I really was not that nerdy. Although, I did tell my students that I listened to the National Geographic theme song in my car. He jokingly said."

2006-2007 EVENTS



WORLD AND U.S. EVENTS



Photo by AP

On July 31, 2006, Cuban President Fidel Castro, after undergoing intestinal surgery, transferred his responsibilities to the First Vice-President, his younger brother Raúl Castro. Castro later recovered.



Photo by AP

North Korea claimed to have conducted its first ever nuclear test on October 9, 2006. On February 19, 2007 North Korea agreed to give up its nuclear program in exchange for oil.



Photo by AP

In February, The Dow Jones Industrial Average lost 416.02 points; it was the largest single-day decline since the September 11, 2001 attacks.

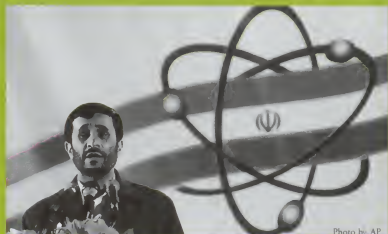


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Iranian President Mohamed Ahmadinejad announced his country had begun a dramatic expansion of a nuclear program that drew attention from the U.N. and condemnation from the West.



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On April 16, 33 students at Virginia Tech were shot and killed by Cho Seung-hui, a fellow student. It was the deadliest school shooting in US history.



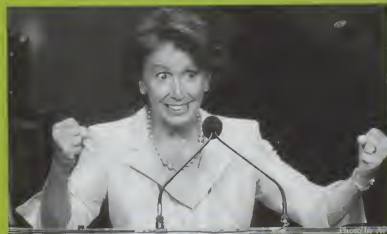
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Prices increased to over \$3 in the summer, dropped between 50 and 80 cents in November and climbed back up to \$3.59 in May. The increase was attributed to a supply scare on Wall Street.



On November 5, 2006 Iraqi President Saddam Hussein was sentenced to death after an Iraqi court found him guilty of crimes against humanity. He was hanged on December 30.

Photo by AP



In January, Nancy Pelosi became the first woman Speaker of the House in the United States. Democrats took the majority of Congress for the first time in 10 years.

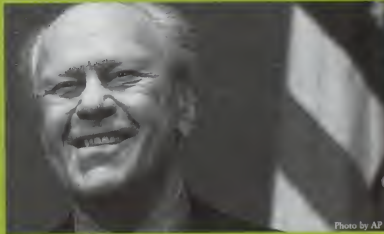


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Gerald Ford, the 38th president of the U.S., died on December 26, 2006 of a heart attack. He was the oldest living president at 93 years old.



Photo by AP

During his State of the Union address on January 10, 2007, President George W. Bush announced a plan to surge 21,500 additional troops into Iraq.



Photo by AP

Politicians announced their bid for the presidency, including Democrat front-runners Hillary Clinton and Barack Obama, as well as Republican leaders John McCain and Rudy Giuliani.

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LOCAL EVENTS



Photo by: Milijana Trisic

In order to make room for a new Starbucks, a number of homes near the end of Main Street disappeared. Kristina Budgin (11) and Heather Brogdon (11) try out the new establishment.



Photo by: Jeff Hunsicker

At the site of the old high school, builders erected Wheeler Middle School. Wheeler would house sixth through eighth grade students and serve as a second middle school.



Photo by: Nicole Akge

New, colorful condos, which sold for around \$360,000 each, developed off of Cedar Lake. Builders hoped that the new condos would increase home values and attract visitors.



Photo by: Meghan Frost

Pinnacle Hospital, an outpatient clinic that was completely physician-owned, open for Indiana and Illinois residents, specializing in internal medicine and family practice.



Photo by: Adam Merkel

Jimmy John's, a popular sandwich chain once out of reach, opened off of Broadway on the east side of town. Their sandwiches were advertised as made to order in 30 seconds.



Photo by: Shannon Compton

Westfield Mall, in Hobart, built additions for new stores including Borders and Dick's Sporting Goods. A new movie theatre and several restaurants also arrived in the shopping area.



Steve Jobs, the CEO of Apple, announced the release of the new iPhone at the Macworld Conference & Expo in January. The phone had a touchscreen with virtual keyboard and buttons.



Photo by AP



TECHNOLOGY



Photo by AP

Microsoft CEO Bill Gates announced the release of Microsoft's new operating system, Windows Vista. It had improved searching features, new multimedia creation tools.



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For \$1.65 billion, Google bought popular video sharing web site YouTube, which was named TIME Magazine's Invention of the Year for 2006.

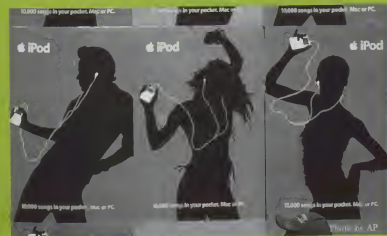


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Apple released their "impossibly small" fifth generation iPods, equipped with video playback capabilities. A new iPod, the Nano, was also released, which sold for between \$150 and \$200.



Photo by AP

Nintendo released their seventh game console, the Wii. It featured a fully interactive controller with motion sensors and retailed for \$350. A new PlayStation and XBOX also came out.

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SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT



Photo by AP

Country and pop group the Dixie Chicks won three Grammys, including Best Country Album, despite the backlash from their previously unpopular comments about President George Bush.



Photo by AP

After her recent divorce from Kevin Federline, Britney Spears shaved her head and added a tattoo to her neck. She reportedly entered rehabilitation therapy for substance abuse also.



James Brown, the "Godfather of Soul" and "Hardest Working Man in America," died from heart failure and complications from pneumonia on December 25, 2006.



Former American Idol contestant Jennifer Hudson won the Best Supporting Actress Oscar for her role in *Dream Girls* with fellow musician Beyoncé.



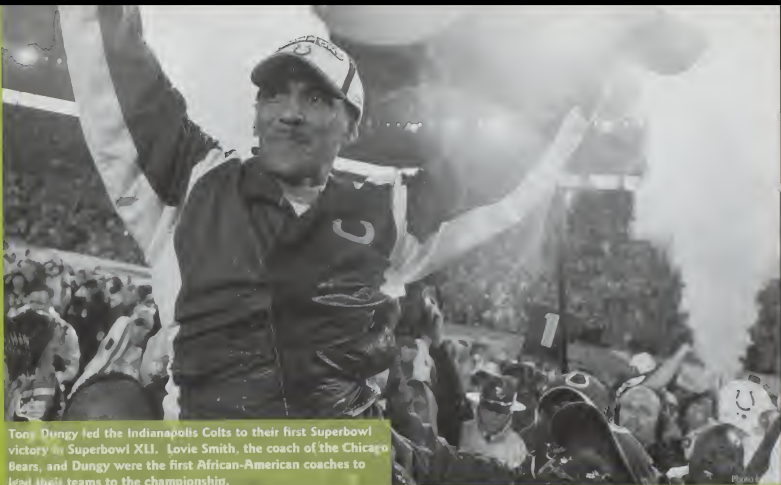
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Anna Nicole Smith died of an drug overdose three months after her daughter's birth. Her death sparked a dispute over the child's paternity. DNA tests proved Larry Birkhead as the father.



Photo by AP

"The Crocodile Hunter," Steve Irwin, died after being impaled in the chest by a sting ray barb on September 4, while filming a documentary at the Great Barrier Reef located in Queensland.



Tony Dungy led the Indianapolis Colts to their first Superbowl victory in Superbowl XLI. Lovie Smith, the coach of the Chicago Bears, and Dungy were the first African-American coaches to lead their teams to the championship.



Photo by AP

Dario Franchetti, husband of actress Ashley Judd, wins the Indy 500 auto race on May 27. The race was shortened from 500 laps to 166 laps because of rain.



Photo by AP

The University of Florida Gators defeated Ohio State 84-75 on April 2 at the Georgia Dome in Atlanta. Georgia won the national championship for the second consecutive year.



Photo by AP

David Beckham left his soccer team Real Madrid to join the MLS team Los Angeles Galaxy on a five-year deal that would earn Beckham up \$50 million a year.

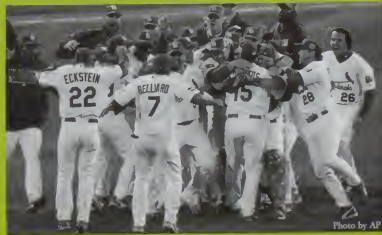


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The National League team St. Louis Cardinals won the 2006 World Series against the American League team Detroit Tigers, 4-1. It was the first time the Cardinals won since 1982.

Out of School

Students go the distance during Spring Break

Whether students traveled 3,951 miles to London, England, took a day trip to Chicago, or went a couple of miles from the downtown square, students found a way to entertain themselves during school vacations.

The Wermers family, junior Kurt, freshman Brenna, and the assistant principal's secretary Mrs. Melissa Wermers and her husband traveled to London, England, for a family vacation.

The Wermers toured castles, Stonehenge, and went to see the musical *Spamalot*.

"I really loved all the history of England," Brenna said. "There were many things there that were around before America even existed."

Some of the cheerleaders traveled domestically to compete in a national

competition.

"I went to cheerleading nationals held in Kissimmee, Florida," freshman Melissa Monix said.

Freshman Elizabeth Phillips also traveled 1242 miles from Crown Point to Kissimmee, but not for a competition.

"I went on vacation with family friends," Elizabeth said. "We went to Universal Studios for two days, and then we all went to Venice, Florida, to spend time at the beach."

Staying a little closer to home, junior Sarah Shaabaan traveled the 47 miles to the Windy City.

"My siblings and I toured the Museum of Science and Industry. We got to see Body Worlds. It was a great way to spend time together."

Other students did not leave the county. They had to work

or finish projects for school.

"I did not have time to do anything else during Spring Break because of a project I had to do for her honors English class," Sarah added.

Senior Lindsey Clemens spent her week doing her favorite hobby, painting with acrylic.

"During Spring Break, I started a mural that I dedicated to my friends," Lindsey said. Junior Ellen Kapitan stayed at the school, and practiced for track.

"It (practice) was really tough. It was unseasonably cold out, and I had to get up really early."

The first weekend brought 70 degree temperatures, but by Monday, it dropped to 30 degrees, and then, the snow arrived. -By Bryanna Firchau



Photo submitted by Daniel Marshall

>>one Daniel Marshall (12) and Keith Krane (11) tour the Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, Kentucky during Spring Break. "The coolest thing about the museum was that they displayed every Corvette ever made," Daniel said.



Photo submitted by Kyla Renn

>>two While tanning on a beach in Naples, Florida, Martina Buchholz (12), Kyla Renn (12), Paige Rothrock (12), and Courtney Baird (12) meet NBA star, Scottie Pippen. "I was so excited because I had never seen anyone famous before," Paige said. "I was extra excited because he played for a local team."



Going to Motoland was a great time because I got to go to practice and get away from everyone.

Photo by Nicole Alcala

>>>one. 4/7 Dominating over the first jump at Motoland in Kingsbury, Indiana, Kyle Kranz (12) braces himself for the landing. "Going to Motoland was a great time because I got to go to practice and get away from everyone," Kyle said.

>>>two. 4/4 In Cancun, Mexico, George Slater (9) and Lauren Slater (12) have fun on their hotel room porch. "I enjoyed when we went swimming in the ocean and played tennis with my grandma," George said.

>>>three. 3/30 Brenna Wermers (9) explores King's Cross Station in London where the Harry Potter movies were filmed. "When my dad and I went to King's Cross, we didn't expect to see the actual platform," Brenna said.

>>>four. 4/2 Between sight seeing and shows in Las Vegas, Nevada, Mallory Julian (12) stops for a picture next to a wax statue of Lucille Ball. "The wax museum was the best because I wanted to have a picture with every statue there," Mallory said.



Photo submitted by Brooke Hrub

Photo submitted by Brenna Wermers

Photo Submitted by Mallory Julian



(State Standard P.1.22):
In Mr. Andrew Shih's
fifth hour integrated
chemistry/physics class,

Scott Rutherford (11) and
Ethan Smith (12) test
their egg drop project.
"The objective was to

build a device to secure
your egg so it would not
break on impact," Scott
said. "Ours was the best

in the class. We dropped
it the highest." The two
built their device out of
popsicle sticks and straws.

data

By Melissa Macho

The success of students was calculated by data. Six weeks test scores, Core 40 testing results, SAT averages, and results of other tests averaged into data— rates, percentages, and ratios. Administrators and teachers then compared this data to other students and schools in the state and nation.

We landed statistically in the top quartile of Indiana schools for the majority of our data according to the Department of Education.

We had a 96% attendance rate, a graduation rate of 93% , a 73.6% college attendance rate, an average 1038 composite SAT score with 70% of seniors taking the SAT, and 79% of students passing ISTEPs in both English and mathematics. In addition, 29% of seniors received an academic honors diploma.

An increased amount of students also took advanced placement tests. About 15% of students tested, and 62% of those received a three out of five.

Teachers adhered to state standards in each class often indicating the specific standard being met by a delineation of letters and numbers next to specific test questions, projects or assignments.

Furthermore, six weeks testing, called UbD's, accounted for 20.5% of each six week grade.

"I had better grades my freshman year because there weren't any UbDs to bring down my grade," senior Alex Nelson said. "But I had to take so many tests, I got better at them."

"I think the UBD's were good. During the six weeks, if you actually paid attention, the UBD could bring up your grade," sophomore Ahmed Elshity said.

Core 40 testing occurred in May causing the library to close for most of the month. In addition to the subjects of math and English, sciences, like physics and biology, were included in the computer-generated test.



Photo by Adam Kato

(State Standard COMM. 1.6): During third year Spanish, Tavleen Dhillon (9) gives a speech about the geography, languages, and the major holidays of the Congo.



Photo by E. Matteo Marini

(State Standard FTC. 4.1): Aya Elshity (12) and Erika Malloy (12) work together to cut fabric to sew a purse in Ms. Jan Ratazzi's fashion technology class.



Photo by Jarek McColl

(State Standard CUL.11.1): After school, Dana Bernachi (10) serves food at the Spanish table during the Foreign Language Fortnight.



Photo by Tim Newberry

(State Standard ART 8.9.1): While in Ms. Donna Pancini's painting class, Jeff Page (11) works on his project. "I loved making abstract paintings," Jeff said.



Photo by Nicole Akey

Photo by Nicole Akey



Photo by Melissa Macher

>>One. (State Standard LIT. 3.4) In the Advanced Placement Literature Composition class, Sasha Steinle (11) presents an in-depth analysis of the poem "Fern Hill" written by Dylan Thomas. "There were so many different interpretations of one poem," Sasha said. "It was interesting to see everyone depict their own themes."

>>Two. (State Standard P.1.29) During a lab in physics, Andrew Ramos (11) conjures electricity from a balloon. "The lab was cool because the charged balloon raised hair particles on my arm," Andrew said. This lab was used to enhance the relationships between atomic and subatomic particles.

>>Three. (State Standard CMP.1.12) As he sketches a visual portrait, Vince Dawson (12) represents Douglas B. Founet, a medal recipient in the Vietnam war. "I learned about the bravery and courage of the Vietnam soldiers," Vince said. In-depth research attributed to the student's knowledge of major historical events.



Photo by Nicole Akey

Students make an impact beyond school walls

While unique assignments appeared in classrooms every day, Mrs. Deb Ciochina instructed her advanced placement, senior English class to take what they had in the class room and reach out to the community. The main goal of the project was for seniors to personally relate to and impact their surrounding neighborhoods.

Seniors Shannon Blazek and Courtney Rowe planned to impact the community through two aspects of human life, music and food. The two girls decided to hold a food drive concert at the fairgrounds where admission would be granted to those who donated canned goods.

"The community experienced new creative ways of helping the families in need," Shannon said.

For seniors Bobby Ferrell-Brey and Corey Hill, music also tied into their plans of making a lasting impression on the community. They hosted a one-hour singing session for the

special-needs students during the school day.

"I had been a peer tutor in the past, and when I saw the happiness on their faces from a simple acknowledgement it made any amount of work worth while," Bobbie said.

The students that participated learned lyrics to well-known songs, such as the *Electric Slide*, *Love Shack*, *The Hustle*, and the *Chicken Dance*. After attending these sessions, all special-needs students that participated had the opportunity to perform for their families. They were also given the option of performing during their annual spring fling dance.

"I thought this project would encourage other schools to teach dance and other activities for the special needs students," Corey said, "I felt it was important to include everyone from school in everything."

-By Nicole Chromey

(State Standard C.M.P.1.12) Participating in an Greek Orthodox marriage ritual, Christopher Akey (12) crowns Christy Vaughan (12) and James Lambing (12) as Billy Morrison (12) unites his two classmates as a couple, acting as the priest. "It was very class-oriented and kept everyone involved on one project," Billy said. Seniors used creative and critical research strategies in Mrs. Cynthia Dewes' English class to provide information on all aspects of a culture to perform their wedding ceremony.



>>One. (State Standard FL. L.3.5) Casually modeling in Mrs. Dana Zurbruggen's sixth period Spanish 3 classroom, Kara Ingelhart (11) proceeds down an imaginary catwalk. "I loved to do activities where I could be outgoing and make my friends laugh without feeling ridiculous," Kara said. Students were instructed to write a description using a specific vocabulary list to assist them as fashion show commentators.

>>Two. (State Standard P.1.6) Placing all 260 pounds of his weight on a chair made by other physics classmates, Andrew Krummied (12) puts the chair's strength to the test. "I had the pleasure of being chosen to demolish many chairs; it was a good time," Andrew said. The goal of this project was to design and build a chair that would support the student's weight according to the properties of force and matter.

>>Three. (State Standard SPC.1.4) Caught in the moment, Joey Maginot (11) explains his reasoning for the choice of his next coin. "It was cool to relate coins and people. I never would have thought to do that," Joey said. In second hour speech class, students were instructed to examine five coins in-depth and draw comparisons to classmates that they felt portrayed the same qualities.



Photo by Matt Froedge



Photo by Amanda Fitcham

>>One. (State Standard S.7.7) Serving a local charitable organization, Matt Froedge (9) serves soup at the First Presbyterian Church. He helped setup, serve, and clean up. This added a total of four hours to his community service requirement.

>>Two. (State Standard USG.5.11) While at the blood drive, Penny Sirbas (11) prepares to give blood. She had to wait to get her blood tested to see if there was enough iron in it. "I decided to give blood because it was just something I could do to help others," she said.

>>Three. (State Standard S.7.7) Clearing out a home in New Orleans, Lindsey Pals (12) volunteered a year after the hurricane clearing away rat and cockroach-infested belongings. "The stench was horrible and the work was hard, but I would do it again in a heart beat," she said.



Photo submitted by Lindsey Pals

Photo by Melissa Machin

Community service promotes involvement

Government and sociology state standards were met as school requirements through community service. Sophomore Casey Taylor helped with the Special Olympics as part of her community service hours. It was her second year helping with the event.

"It was hard work, and a lot of fun," Casey said. "It was a really great experience."

Ten out of ten students said the 40-hour graduation requirement was a good idea for several reasons.

"It was a good way to get kids involved in the community," freshman Book Fargo said.

Also, most students agreed that it looked good on college applications.

"It kept kids out of trouble," freshman Jeremy Nikolich said.

Allison Newlin completed some of her hours at the court house. She was Santa's helper, and distributed candy canes to little children. Freshman Alexandra Horst completed 16 hours of community service while helping with a kidney fund. She did odd jobs preparing the day before and the day of the fund-raiser event. Senior Sarah Luebecke aided at the Saint Anthony hospital every free Thursday. She answered phones in the office, delivered flowers, and pushed patients in wheelchairs.

"I loved helping others; if you did something charity related, the feeling you got back was priceless," Sarah said.

"Seeing the difference a group of high schoolers made truly showed that we could make a difference," senior Lindsey Pals said after volunteering to clean out homes after Katrina.

-By Nicole Krnich



...the money to help collect money for the ... (12) and Kathryn ... in front of ... & Van Til ... was fun to see that ... out here," Kathryn said.



Photo submitted by Jessica Fornof



... (State Standard S.7.7) At the Lake County Animal Control Center, Jessica Fornof (9) walks dogs. She walked dogs on half-days and during her free time. "The dogs were locked up all day and needed to be let out, so I enjoyed helping," Jessica said.

... (State Standard 12.4.36) While keeping the time at the Lake Central girls' swim meet, Shawn McFarland (12) records each swimmer's statistics. He volunteered to be the swim manager all four years throughout high school.

... (State Standard S.7.8) Carrying out a community-based project, Caroline Diamond (12) Nicole Chromey (11) and Caitlin Johnston (12) help Mrs. Deb Ciochina (English) wrap Christmas gifts. Every Christmas Mrs. Ciochina adopts a family. "I volunteered to help with the project; it was a fun time," Caitlin said.

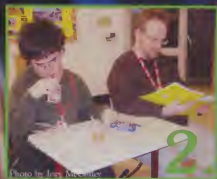


Photo by Amy Roseberry

(State Standard CMP. 3.1) After missing a few days of school, Mike Bonaparte (9) discusses his make-up writing assignment with Ms. Annie Domasica (English). Mike took honors English class in preparation for advanced placement next year. "I didn't use zero hour every day, just occasionally for make up work," he said.

>>One. (State Standard LIT. 3.1) Before zero period ends, Kyla Renn (12) sits at her locker preparing for her world literature test over the allegory, *Dante's Inferno*. "I usually studied or did my homework during zero period," Kyla said.

>>Two. (State Standard WH.3.11) Eating his breakfast, Joe Burke (9) and Mr. Jason Green, sit in Mr. Dennis Bunda's classroom preparing for Ancient History. "The worst thing about zero period was that they would not extend it," Joe said.

>>Three. (State Standard SPC. 1.5) Prior to the first day of the *Crime and Punishment* trial in world literature class, Rachel VanDeWynngaerde and Jessica Laumann (12) take a break during zero hour. Jessica performed the part of the drunk government clerk, Marmaladov, and Rachel, the part of the child, Polenka.



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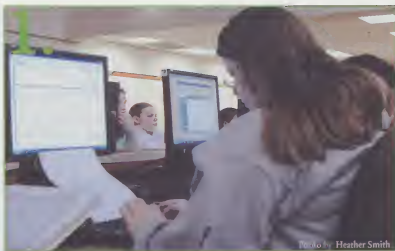


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>>One. (State Standard C.A. 3.2.1) In the Media Center, Nicole Ivey (12) retypes her 4-H Horse Bowl notes. "Zero period should have been longer, because it would have given kids without computers time to finish projects at school," Nicole said.

>>Two. (State Standard TECH.5.F) While going over their design, Josh Long and Cody Reynolds (10) discuss their changes. "Zero period helped me improve only when group projects needed work," Cody said.

>>Three. (State Standard LIT. 2.2) At his locker, Andrew Krumwied (12) analyzes literature for his AP English class. "The worst part about zero period was going to class afterward," Andrew said.

Students report needing more zero hour

More than half of the student body went to either their own teachers' or other teachers' classrooms during zero period each week. Some students believed that although they had from 7:00 a.m. to 7:20 a.m., zero period was not long enough for them to get everything finished.

"Zero period should have been longer, because I usually had just begun to understand a concept and then the bell would ring," senior Sarah Board said. Although they had on average 20 minutes, teachers were so busy on certain days that not all students were able to get help.

"So many kids tried to get help from one teacher, and sometimes you waited the whole time and never got the help you needed," junior Hailey Hardin said.

Other students talked to their friends in the library, sat in the cafeteria, or just roamed around the school until zero

period ended.

"The worst thing about zero period when you walked around was the people who stood in the middle of the hallways," senior Olivia Bowman said.

When students needed time to take make-up tests or quizzes, and class time wasn't enough, zero period provided a good opportunity.

"I didn't have enough time at night to finish my homework, so the next morning gave me some time," junior Aimee Favia said.

"Zero period gave me more time to relax and prepare for first hour," senior Rachel VanDeWyngaerde said.

Not all students arrived for zero hour, coming one or two minutes before the first hour tardy bell rang.

By Heather Smith



Photo by Jacob Hoffmann



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>>One. (State Standard ELP 12.5.16) Creating his media presentation on football movies, Matt Fronek (11) interviews another student. "I liked mass media because you did your own assignments. It was a very independent class that allowed you to choose your segment topics. You got to choose your own homework," Matt said.

>>Two. (State Standard ELP 10.7.5) During second hour speech class, students Nico Drakulich (11) and Sarah Otte (12) prepare for an informative speech. "Speech was great because Mrs. Ciochina brightened my day everyday," Nico said. Speech was a class that not only taught public speaking skills but also allowed students to interact and learn more about one another.

>>Three. (State Standard Art H.9.1) Applying glaze, Ashley Bernacchi (12) completes a pot for ceramics. "In Ceramics, there was no homework. I could be creative, and I loved to work with mud," Ashley said.

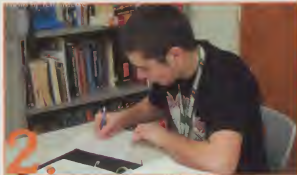


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(State Standard Art H.7.1) After examining his physical features in a mirror, Brent Segura (12) attempts to sketch a self-portrait in art teacher Mrs. Linda Pappas' fifth hour. "Drawing helped develop my artistic skills," Brent said.



Photo by Jacob Hoffman



>>One. (State Standard Art H.14.2) Sculpting an airplane out of clay, Mike Mohr (12) completes his model during Independent Art. "I liked the freedom that Independent Art class gave me. I could take my time on my never-ending projects," Mike said.

>>Two. (State Standard Latin I.2.7) While in Latin I, Miles Oney (9) translates an assignment. "I took Latin to help my scores on the SATs," Miles said.

>>Three. (State Standard P.E. 9.3.3) Megan Tasher (11) spots Carmen Weidler (12) as she attempts to bench press 65 pounds. "I took fitness class because I wanted to stay in shape and work out," Carmen said.

New electives draw student interest

As course selection came around every year, students studied their catalogs to create the schedule that most appealed to them. Some were surprised to notice the changes and new additions of AP Statistics, AP Environmental Science, and Personal Fitness.

Struck by curiosity, several of these students chose to take on a first-year elective course, proving the year to be different from previous ones.

"I figured AP Statistics would differ from a normal math course. Analyzing and studying probability and statistics was different than any other math course I have taken," senior Micah Palmateer said.

Sometimes, an interest in other hobbies could lead to the courses one chose in school.

"I thought AP Statistics would be an easy advanced placement class because there were a lot of statistics in

sports, so I figured I would like it," junior Matt Childress said.

While any new course could be difficult for students, AP Statistics also challenged math teacher Mr. Steve Strayer as well.

"The class was challenging because I was learning the material with the students as went through the school year," Mr. Strayer said. "I made mistakes, but that didn't bother me too much because I enjoyed the students that were in the class."

Another change included the altering of Basic Strength Training. Along with a name change to Personal Fitness, the course focused on running as well.

"I liked Basic Strength Training better than Personal Fitness because I did not have to run," senior Anthony Nisevich said. **By Jacob Hoffman**

(State Standard AST 3.2) While in Auto Specialists, Nick Quinn (12) and Ron Borchert (11) work together to put up a transmission mount. "That class was a good hands-on experience, and it was nice to take if you were interested in going into the automotive field," Nick said.



>>One. (State Standard PMT 3.13) Turning a piece of steel to size, Ricky Westerhoff (12) focuses in Machine Shop. "Machine shop was a lot of fun because I was able to work on unique projects that I couldn't really do at home," Ricky said.

>>Two. (State Standard FTC 4.1) In Fashion Technology, Bethany Walters sews a purse. "I liked Fashion Technology because it gave me the ability to create and put together my own designs," Bethany said.

>>Three. (State Standard BT 3.7) While in an independent study for his building trades class, Mike Damjanovic (12) focuses on assembling a model house. "I really enjoyed learning about architecture, and I chose to take that course because it gave me the opportunity to work on only projects that I was interested in completing," Mike said.



Photo by Devin Holme

Photo by Jon Newberry



>>One. (State Standard GIT 3.8) Working in Graphic Imaging Technology II, Stephanie Rink (11) strips a negative. "Graphic Imaging was great because I learned a lot of basics that will help lead me into a career in graphic communications," Stephanie said.

>>Two. (State Standard BT 3.14) In Cabinet and Furniture Manufacturing, Tommy Hawkins (9), Christian Ahearn (9) and DJ Gutzweiler (9) stain cabinets. "I chose to take the class because I thought it would provide a different environment than all of my other classes," Christian said.

>>Three. (State Standard BFM 3.13) In an attempt to cut the wood just right, Mr. Chris Gabriel (student teacher) works with Joseph Perillo (9) on the table saw in his woods class. "That was one of my favorite classes; it was an opportunity to get up and move around," Joseph said.

Robodogs competition inspires teamwork

Vocational classes brought hands-on experience to a new level with the introduction of Robodogs, a hybrid cross between classroom work and an extracurricular club. Robodogs was the name of the team which created and then competed with a working robot.

First, the engineering and drafting class worked on the design for a robot. Machine shop created and assembled the pieces, and finally computer technology programmed the robot. The Robodogs also met after school daily.

"The main reason we picked up this program was to inspire teamwork among students," Mr. Mark Querry (Industrial Arts) said.

The Robodogs competed with their robot at the first

Robotics competition. At the competition, they used the robot to complete a series of tasks for which they were awarded points. However, the bigger point of the program was to achieve excellence in design and demonstrate team spirit, according to the team members.

"It was really cool seeing how something you had built ran and performed," senior Matt Pogozcewski said.

The club provided an avenue for those interested in combining computer skills and mechanical skills.

"I joined the Robodogs because I had been interested in engineering for a long time, and I also flew remote control airplanes, so I had previous experience in control use," senior Matt Osojnicki said. **By Devin Holme**

Legacy project, grades create concerns

"I worked on all of the homework from my AP (advanced placement) classes until about one a.m., but receiving an 'A' in every class was definitely worth it," Abdullah Malik (11) said.

The students were expected to work hard in school and donate extra time and energy outside of school for the opportunity to receive weighted grades.

Latin students were very familiar with the benefit of weighted grades. In previous years, both third and fourth year students had a GPA based on a five point scale. However, this year was much different. Because many students and teachers deemed it unfair that other foreign languages did not have two years of weighted grades, none of the Latin students were granted AP credit. A plan existed that would reinstate weighted grades for fourth year Latin students only in years to come.

On the other side of the building, however, AP English Language students were busy doing interviews, researching different aspects of the area, and putting together the new Legacy Book.

"Legacy was a lot of work, but I found out I was more capable than I thought I was," Jake Nyenhuis (12) said.

The Legacy Book focused not only on the past of our area, like previous books had done, but the present and future as well.

"Every class on my schedule was AP because I wanted to be my class's valedictorian," Jon Glass (11) said.

Other students preferred an AP schedule because of the environment provided.

"There was a better atmosphere in AP classes; you were around people who really wanted to learn," Ashley Dobbins (12) said.

By Adam Merkel



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>>**One.** (State Standard CMP 1.13) Looking at the choices for the 2006 Legacy Project cover, Tim Mummery, CJ Pawlikowski, and Kate Titus (12) try to decide on which design they like most. All of the covers were designed by the students.

>>**Two.** (State Standard LIT 3.2) After reading *The Interesting Narrative of the Life of Olaudah Equiano*, Dan Byrd and Leah Egof-ske discuss the essay in their AP English Language class. Discussions were held after each reading assigned.

>>**Three.** (State Standard GHW.1.3) During his fifth hour AP European History Class, sophomore Marcus Shrewsbury enjoyed the assortment of cookies provided. "It was probably the coolest party I've ever been to," Marcus said. "It was a blast."

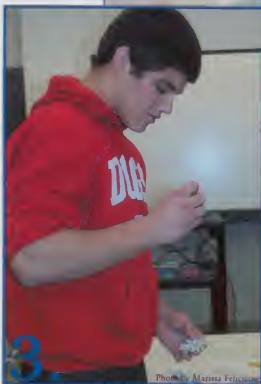
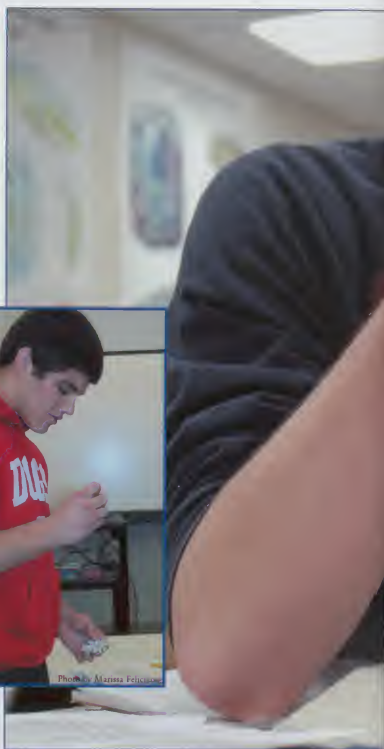


Photo by Marissa Feliciano



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Feature: (State Standard Art H.8.2) Using black and green, senior Mark Stringer finishes up a painting in his Studio Art class. "I liked AP art because it was very laid back. You were really able to express your creativity without any barriers," Mark said.

Feature: (State Standard SPC 1.5) In AP English Literature, Mrs. Daugherty's second hour class held a party to celebrate her birthday. Junior Steven Fedro created a representation of a scene from *Gulliver's Travels* during the celebration.

Feature: (State Standard Art H.8.2) While working on a project in AP Studio Art, senior Ashley Dobbins touches up a picture of her father. "AP Studio Art was my favorite class, but it could be very demanding. Sometimes, I had to take my work home to make sure it was done on time," Ashley said.

(State Standard S.1.3) In his AP Biology class, senior Ethan Strasser tries to understand the difficult process concerning the theory of evolution. "AP biology was a tough class, but Mr. (Brian) Murphy made it fun," Ethan said.

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During lunch, Chris Miller (12), Chris May (12), Andy Mische (11), and Craig Doppler (11) enjoy a Subway sandwich. The

"Sub Club" brought club sandwiches to lunch every other Friday and kept it in Mrs. Jan Ratazzi's (Family and Consumer Science)

room refrigerator until lunchtime. "Everyone pitched in five dollars," Jon Glass (11) said. "Everyone also vetoed the

tomato from the sandwich by a majority vote. It was a democracy and we had a good economy at our lunch table."

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By Melissa Mathias

Freshmen surprisingly dominated the crowded hallways as the largest class with 614 students. Seniors were the smallest class with only 532 students, some of which graduated at semester.

"It was scary to think that the freshman outnumbered us," senior Ana Radiceska said.

The significant influx of students in the freshman class caused the school to grow from approximately 2,200 to 2,300 in one year. The large number of students affected everyone's school day, from the hallways to the classrooms.

"Hallways were much more difficult to walk down,"

senior Becky Asher said. "It was challenging to get through, especially during lunch times."

After asking band members to use their band lockers for the first semester and unassigning senior HERO members lockers, 198 new lockers were installed.

"Since my band locker was so far away, I was always late to class," junior Stacy Clark said. "My teachers usually gave me a break though. I was really glad when I got a new locker because I no longer had to walk so far. and I wasn't late anymore."

Since the school was rapidly growing, it forced everyone to rapidly adapt.



Kaitlyn Edwards (12) and Ralph Doctor (12) donate their time to wrap gifts for English teacher Mrs. Deb Ciochina's charity project.



While celebrating Festivus, a holiday popularized by the TV show *Seinfeld*, Anthony Nelson (12) organizes a feast during C lunch.



Enjoying donuts, Mike Schram (12), Ben Wright (12), Jeff Beall (12), and Liz Stramma (11) camp out to receive prime parking spots.



At cross country camp, over the summer, Coach Patty Begley smells the pasta sauce Sara Becker (12) made during the senior dinner night.

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>>one. Ryan Forney, Chris Saroff, Mike Morris and Andrew Peretin show their spirit at a home basketball game against Lake Central. "We decided to dress up to show our support to welcome back Matt Ernest to the basketball court," Andrew said.
>>two. After celebrating senior night for Royal Regiment seniors, Jackie McLaughlin and Sarah Board embrace. "I loved walking down the field and feeling the ground move from the crowd being so loud," Sarah said.



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>>three. During 'D' lunch Jon Woodbury and history teacher Mr. Bernard Kowalski (Government) stop for a moment to talk. "Mr. Kowalski was my favorite teacher all throughout high school," Jon said. "He was just a really cool guy."
>>four. Amanda McCormick sorts through the gifts collected for the adopt-a-family fund-raiser in December. "I brought in books for the project," Amanda said. "It made me feel good because I realized that some families don't have a Christmas and I realized how much I take it for granted."

>> officers <<



President

"I was tired of politics as usual, and I just wanted my voice to be heard."
James Freeman



Vice President

"My favorite activity was the state convention in Clarksville, Indiana."
Stacy Martin



Treasurer

"The thing I liked the most was that everyone worked to better the school."
Danny Krause



Secretary

"I joined Student Council to make a difference around the school."
Cori Mellen



1. Marie Abina - Japanese Club 11-12, Latin Club 9-10
 2. Holly Adams - French Club 9; Gymnasiums 9-10; Student Council 12
 3. Nicholas Adams - Dog Crew 11; French Club 12; German Club 10-12; Tech Club 10-11
 4. Bill Aguilera
 5. Chris Akey - Concert Band 9; German Club 9; HERO 12; Swimming 9-10



1. Nicole Akey - Concert Band 9-10; Marching Band 10; Pep Band 9-10; Escalibur 10-12 (Editor-in-Chief 11-12) PCA 9-12; Journalism 10-12; Orchestra 9-10; Peer Tutor 12; Powderpuff 9; Quill and Scroll 11-12; Romanians 12; Royal Regiment 9-10; Softball 9; Spanish Club 9-12; Spring Musical 9-12; Symphonic Orchestra 10-12
 2. Ashley Aliff - Choir 9-12; French Club 9-10; Japanese Club 11
 3. Ben Allen - Band 9-12; Concert 9-12; Marching 10-12; Jazz 10-11; Pep 9-11; Cheerleading 12; Choir 11-12; Honor Society 11-12; Latin Club 9-12; Orchestra 10; QVP 12; Rotarians 12; Royal Regiment 9-12; Soccer 9-11; Track 9; Spring Musical 9-11
 4. Charlotte Allen - Cross Country 9-10; Thespians 9-10; Track 9-10; Fall Play 9-10; Gymnasiums 9-10; Spring Musical 10
 5. Jessica Antczak - Orchestra 9; Spanish Club 10-11; Wrestling (Manager) 9



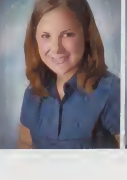
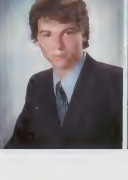
1. Matt Appel - German Club 9
 2. Fabian Arias - Tennis 12
 3. Kathryn Armenia - Concert Band 9; Marching Band 9-12; Pep Band 9-12; Symphonic Band 10-12; Choir 9-12; Girls' Show 9-11; Mixed Show Choir 12; Honor Society 11-12; Orchestra 10-12; Royal Regiment 9-12; Spring Musical 9, 11-12
 4. Josh Arnold - Letterman's Club 10-12; Soccer 9; Track 9; Trainers 10-12
 5. Becky Asher - Choir 9-12; Girls' Show 12; Color Guard 11-12; Honor Society 12; Orchestra 9-12; Royal Regiment 10-11; Spanish Club 9-11; Spell Bowl 12; Thespians 12; Fall Play 10-12



1. Taylor Austgen
 2. Leah Avans - Choir 9-12; Key Club 11
 3. Tyler Back
 4. Courtney Baird - Dance 11-12; GVC 11-12; Honor Society 11-12
 5. Todd Baker - Japanese Club 9-12; Tech Club 9-12



1. Blake Bardean
 2. Amanda Barnes - Art Club 12; Student Council 9 (Vice-President 9)
 3. Justin Bass
 4. Jeff Beall - Hockey 9-12
 5. Sara Becker



1. Ashley Bernatchuk - GVC 9-12; Honor Society 11-12; Homecoming Court 9; Key Club 11-12; Soccer 9-12; Track 9
 2. Derek Berquist
 3. Kristine Bielak - Choir 10-12; Fall Play 11-12; French Club 9-12; Honor Society 11-12; Key Club 11; Quiz Bowl 9-12 (Captain 12); Showtime 11-12; Speech Team 10; Spell Bowl 11-12; Spring Musical 10-12
 4. Bryan Birmingham - Choir 9-12; French Club 9-10; Wrestling 9
 5. Nicole Bitane - Spanish Club 9; Diving 9

1. Shannon Blazek- German Club 941; Honor Society 11-12; Student Council 942
2. Sarah Board- Cheerleading 9; Choir 9-12; Color Guard 12; PCA 9, 10; Thespians 11-12; Fall Play 10-12; Spring Musical 10-12
3. Tricia Board
4. Lauren Bodinet
5. Olivia Bowman- Basketball 9-10 (Manager); Choir 9-12; Spanish Club 9-11; Fall Play 12; Musical 12



1. Josh Box
2. Jeremy Boyer- Concert 9-10; Diving 9-12
3. Brittany Brusconi- HERO 12; Lann Club 11; Orchestra 9, 10; Spanish Club 9, 10
4. Martina Buchholz- GVC 10-12; Honor Society 11, 12; Spanish Club 9-11; Track 10-12; Gymnastics 10-12
5. Angie Budgin- Concert Band 9-12; Marching 10-12; Pep 10-12; Honor Society 11-12; Lann Club 9-12; Royal Regiment 10-12



1. Philipp Bueyrg- French Club 12; Gymnastics 12
2. Dan Burgess- Auto Club 11-12; Football 9-10
3. Sarah Burke- Academic Super Bowl 10; Academic Decathlon 12; Choir 9-12; Color Guard 11-12 (Captain 12); Latin Club 9-10 (Officer 10); Royal Regiment 11-12; Swimming 9; All State Choir 11-12
4. Sam Bushemi- Honor Society 11, 12; Latin Club 9-12; Letterman's Club 10-12; Rotarians 12; Soccer 9-12; Track 9-10
5. Dan Byrd- Football 9-12; Letterman's Club 10-12; Track 9-12; Wrestling 9



1. Margaret Calabrese
2. James Calhoun
3. Toni Calhoun- Art Club 9; Japanese Club 9-12; Orchestra 9-10; Showtime 11-12
4. Joseph Camp- Showtime 12; Track 9-12; Fall Play 9-12; Musical 9-12
5. Carly Campbell- French Club 9-12; Softball 9-10; Speech and Debate Team 10; Tennis 11-12



1. Lori Campbell- Choir 9; Japanese Club 12
2. Jason Canady
3. Veronica Castanon- Spanish Club 10-11; Spell Bowl 11; Tennis 9; Volleyball 10
4. Ryan Centanni
5. Caitlin Chaussey



1. Carolyn Chelbowski
2. Lindsey Clemens- Concert Band 9; Japanese Club 9-12
3. Brittany Clements- Basketball 9-12; GVC 10-12; Honor Society 12; Kwanzaa 9-12; Lann Club 9-12; Soccer 9-12; Softball 9-11
4. Andi Coffey- French Club 9-10; HERO 12; Homecoming Court 10; Student Council 10; Track 9-10
5. Christa Comer- Choir 9-10; Honor Society 11-12; Spanish Club 11





1. Michael Cook
2. Amanda Cooper
3. Kevin Cowan- Chess Club 9; Football 9; German Club 912; Student Council 910; Spring Musical 11
4. Brittney Craft- Concert Band 9; Pep Band 9; 1112; GVC 1012; Spanish Club 9; Train-ers 912; Fall Play 912; Spring Musical 912; Wind Symphony 1012; Symphony Orchestra 11-12
5. James Crosslin- Concert Band 910; Football 9; Linn Club 912; Track 9



1. Heather Callom
2. Karl Dahlin- Tennis 912
3. Vanessa Dall
4. Mike Damjanovic- Football 912; HERO 12; Homecoming Court 12; Letterman's Club 10-12; Wrestling 912
5. David Dance- Latin Club 9



1. Kathryn David- Concert Band 911; Marching 1011; Pep 911; Choir 912; HERO 12; Linn Club 910; Orchestra 1011; Royal Regiment 1011; Spanish Club 1011; Spring Musical 9
2. Vince Dawson- Baseball 912; Football 910
3. Matt DeBoer- Band 911; Concert 911; Marching 911; Pep 911; Symphonic 1011; DARE Role models 1012; Japanese Club 910; Royal Regiment 911; Thespians 11-12; Fall Play 912; Spring Musical 912
4. Amanda Debo- French Club 910; Key Club 12; Orchestra 911; SADD 12 (President); Tennis 911; Diving 9
5. Kristie Deedrick



1. Kalli Deter- Orchestra 912; Track 9
2. Caroline Diamond- Band 912; Concert 910; Pep 10-12; Symphonic 1112; Choir 912; Girls Show 1011; Mixed Show 12; Key Club 9; Latin Club 911; Orchestra 1112; Royal Regiment 1012; Student Council 912; Thespians 12; Spring Musical 1012; Drum Major 12
3. Tiffany Dines- Cheerleading 9; Orchestra 912; Spanish Club 910
4. Ashley Dobbins- Honor Society 1112; Linn Club 912 (Secretary 10; President 11-12); Orchestra 912; Rotarians 12; Soccer 912; Track 912
5. Ralph Doctor



1. Eric Doffin- German Club 912 (President)
2. Joshua Donelson- Art Club 9; Concert Band 9; Pep Band 9; Chess Club 911; French Club 910
3. Michelle Dragoin- Band 910; Concert Band 910; Marching Band 10; Jazz Band 910; Pep Band 10; Symphonic Orchestra 10; Key Club 1112; Spanish Club 1011; Spring Musical 912
4. Michelle Drost- Foreign Exchange Student; Netherlands; Showtime
5. Katie Duncan- Cheerleading 912; Choir 911; Girls Show 1011; FCA 910; German Club 910; French Club 11



1. Trina Dvorscak - Spanish Club 9
2. Jordana Dykes - HERO 12; Orchestra 911; Spanish Club 9
3. Rachel Eberly
4. Brian Edgington
5. Justin Edwards

Song Quote



Becky Asher

"You're not jealous cause I'm young, not in love"

"We're gonna stay together forever, so we can stay 13, this forever, and we'll never miss a party 'cause we keep them going constantly"

-Brand New

"Sober Amaretto Liqueur"



Sean Pockul

"I hear miss I was a young boy, like I had the silver line, I was down to Brakken, I must have played them all."

The Who

"Pinball Wizard"



Amanda Walters

"Don't cha wish your girlfriend was hot like me?"

"Don't cha wish your girlfriend was a freak like me?"

Don't cha,
Don't cha"

-Pussy Cat Dolls

"I don't cha"

.....My Favorite.....



Stephanie Reeve

"She's a lot of fun and you're no fun at all...She completes you."

Ice Age II



Drew Griffith

"Wait, you can't stop here; this is Bat Country."

Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas



Kaitlin Sapita

"I don't want to sell anything, buy anything, or process anything as a career. I don't want to sell anything bought or processed, or buy anything sold or processed, or process anything sold, bought or processed, or repair anything sold, bought, or processed. You know, as a career, I don't want to do that."

Say Anything

.....Movie Quote



1. **Kathryn Edwards**-Cross Country 10; Honor Society 11-12; Key Club 9-11; Latin Club 9-11; Orchestra 9-12; SAID 9-11; Tennis 9-10
 2. **Shannon Egan**
 3. **Leah Egoiske**-German Club 9-12; GVC 10-12; Honor Society 11-12; Key Club 11; Soccer 9-12; Student Council 9-10; Track 9; Fall Play 10-12; Spring Musical 11-12
 4. **Kevin Eider**
 5. **Ava Elberty**-Art Club 9; MSA Club 12; Spanish Club 9-11



1. **Matt Ernest**-Baseball 9-12; Basketball 9-10; Football 9-12; French Club 11
 2. **Amy Erskine**-Basketball 9; French Club 9-10; Softball 9; Track 9-11
 3. **Britny Facemeyer**-Dance Team 9-12; French Club 9-11; GVC 10-12
 4. **Bobbie Ferrell-Brey**-Cheerleading 9-12; Girls' Show Choir 10-11; Mixed Show Choir 12; German Club 9-10; Honor Society 12; Therapists 11-12; Fall Play 11-12; Spring Musical 9-12
 5. **Brayana Fincham**-Band 9; Escalibur 11-12; (People Editor 12) GVC 10-12; Inklings 11-12; (Assist. News/Entertainment Editor 12, Photographer 11-12); Journalism 10-12; Softball 9; Spanish Club 9; Swimming 10-11; Quill & Scroll 12



1. **Arianna Flores**
 2. **Elena Flores**
 3. **Ryan Forney**-Basketball 9; Football 9-12; French Club 9; Golf 9-12; Homecoming Court 12; Letterman's Club 10-12; Rotarians 12; Track 11-12; Dodgeball 11-12
 4. **Kevin Frazier**-Bowling 11; DARE 9-12; PCA 11-12
 5. **James Freeman**-Academic Decathlon 11; Chess Club 11; Debate Team 11-12 (Lt. Captain 12) Inklings 11-12 (Copy Chief 12) Journalism 10; Latin Club 9-12 (Historian 10); 2nd Vice President 11; IJLC Parliamentarian 12; Quill and Scroll 11-12; Quiz Bowl 11-12; Rotarians 12; Showtime 11-12; Speech Team 11; Student Council 11-12 (Senior Class President) Fall Play 12



1. **Megan Fricke**-Bowling 9-12; Cheerleading 9-10; HERO 12
 2. **Meghan Frost**-Cross Country 10-12 (Co-Captain) Escalibur 11-12 (Student Life Editor 12); Honor Society 11-12; Key Club 9-12 (Vice President) Orchestra 9-11; Quill and Scroll 11-12; Softball 9-11; Spanish Club 9-10; Volleyball 9
 3. **Katherine Frundie**
 4. **Zack Fulmer**-German Club 9-11; Student Council 10-11
 5. **Jessica Funk**-Marching Band 11-12; Bowling 9-12; Color Guard 11-12; Royal Regiment 11-12



1. **John Fuster**
 2. **Cameron Gaines**
 3. **Alyssa Galloway**-Boys' Girls' State 11-12; Choir 9-12; Girls' Show 10-12; Mixed Show 12; GVC 12; Honor Society 11-12; Key Club 10; Soccer 9-12; Spanish Club 9-11; Student Council 9-10; Therapists 12; Fall Play 9; Spring Musical 10-12
 4. **Tony Gambini**-Football 9-10; Swimming 11; Track 9-12
 5. **Luis Garcia**



1. **Tiffany Gertz**-French Club 9-10; GVC 9-10; HERO 12; Swimming 9-10
 2. **William Gibbon**
 3. **Alyssa Glover**
 4. **Anthony Godov**
 5. **Renee Goldman**

1. Michael Golec
2. Amanda Golec - Concert Band 9, Marching Band 9/12, Symphonic Band 10/12, Esq. Crew 12, Spanish Club 9, Peer Tutor
3. Alicia Gonsky
4. April Gosser - French Club 10, 11; GVC 9/12, Tennis 9/12 (captain 12)
5. Valerie Grace - Girls Show Choir 9, HERC 12, Key Club 9, Swimming 9/10, Volleyball 9/10, Fall Play 9, Musical 9, Government Club (Merrillville)



1. Ben Green - Baseball 9
2. Sarah Griffin - Girls State 12; GVC 9, 10, Honor Society 12; Key Club 9/12; Linn Club 9/11; Tennis 9/10; Valedictorian 12
3. Andrew Griffith - Linn Club 9, Orchestra 9/12
4. Evan Grindler
5. Viki Grise



1. Hillary Groff - Concert Band 9, GVC 9/12; Honor Society 11/12; Key Club 9/10; Linn Club 9/11; SADD 9/10; Gymnastics 9/12
2. Stephanie Guard - Choir 9/12, GHS Show 10/11; Mael Show 12, FCA 10, 12 (Leader 12); Honor Society 11/12; Key Club; Spanish Club; Spring Musical 11
3. Haxley Hanes - Swimming 9; Academic Super Bowl (10/12); French Club 9/12; Key Club 10/12; Spanish Club 11/12; Art Club 9/11; Yearbook 11/12 (Business Manager 12); Quill and Scroll 11/12
4. Ray Hanyzewski
5. Michael Hartline



1. Nicole Haworth - Latin Club 9/12; Softball 9; Speech 10/11; Boys' Soccer Manager 11
2. Suzanna Heaven
3. Mariana Hernandez - Choir 9/10; Japanese Club 9/12
4. Corey Hill - Choir 9/12, Mixed Show Choir 9/12; Rotarians 12; Spanish Club 9, 12; Student Council 9/12 (Representative 9, Class Vice President 10/11; Student Council Vice President 12); Thespians 11/12; Fall Play 12; Spring Musical 10/12; Student Advisory Committee 9/12, QYP 12; Prom Committee 11; Optimists Club 11; Youth Philanthropy Council 11/12
5. Alania Hochstetler



1. Jacob Hoffman - Excalibur 10/12 (Advertising Editor 12); French Club 9/12; Letterman's Club 10/12; Quill and Scroll 10/12; Tennis 9/12
2. Heather Holzhauser - Band 9/10; Concert 10; Marching 10; Jazz 9/11; Pep 9; Choir 9/12; Honor Society 11/12; Kwanians 9/12; Royal Regiment 10; Spring Musical 9
3. Daniel How - Band 9/11; Concert 9/11; Marching 9/11; Jazz 9/10; Symphonic 9/11; Japanese Club 9
4. Maggie Hubble - Choir 9/11; Mixed Show Choir 10; Color Guard 10; Dance Team 9/10; Volleyball 9/11
5. Tammy Hurd



1. Adam Hutchison - Choir 9/12; Football 9; Track 9/10
2. Josh Hutchison - Football 10
3. Josh Hynes - Basketball 9; French Club 9/11; Football 9/11
4. Elizabeth Idlings - Cross Country 10; French Club 9/12; GVC 9/12; Idlings 11; 12 (Executive Editor 12); Journalism 10; Key Club 9/11; Quill and Scroll 11/12 (President); Rotarians 12; SADD 9/11; Tennis 9, 12 (Captain 12); Volleyball 9; Prom Court 5; Faivika Ismail





1. Nicole Ivey- Choir 9-12; Latin Club 9-12
2. Adam Iverich- IIE&O 12
3. Hristina Jakimovska- French Club 9; HERO Club 12
4. Iva Jansson- Soccer 9-10; Germanics 9-10
5. Nick Jernberg- Football 9; German Club 9-12

1. Kevin Jilison
2. Christopher Sean Johnson- Basketball 9; Choir 9-12; Mixed Show 12; Football 9-12; French Club 9-12; Journalism 9; Letterman's Club 12; Showtime 11-12; Thespians 12; Track 9; Spring Musical 11-12
3. Derek Johnson
4. Caitlin Johnston- Academic Decathlon 11; Concert Band 9; Chess Club 9-11; Honor Society 11-12; Inklings 10-12 (Editor-in-Chief); Journalism 9, 11-12; Kwanans 9-10; Latin Club 9-12; Quill and Scroll 10-12; Rotarians 12; SADD 9-11; Soccer 9-11; Speech 9-12; Tennis 11-12; Fall Play 9-12; Musical 10-12; Debate 10-12; Quiz Bowl 9-12; Academic Super Bowl 10-12
5. Mikayla Juliano- Marching 9-12; Pep 9-12; Color Guard 9-12; Honor Society 11-12; Orchestra 9-12; Royal Regiment 9-12; Spanish Club 9-11; Spring Musical 10-12

1. Tim Jenkins
2. Jake Kabella- Baseball 9-10; Football 9; French Club 9-12; Spring Musical 11
3. James Kaiser- Honor Society 11, 12
4. Heather Kalas- Choir 9-12
5. Ashley Kalemba- Choir 9-12; Girls Show Choir 9-11; DARE Role Model 11; GVC 9-12; HERO 12; Key Club 9-10; Spanish Club 9-11; Swimming 9, 10; Track 9, 10

1. Amanda Kaplan- Concert Band 9; Marching Band 9-10; Pep Band 9-10; Symphony 10; HERO 12; Key Club 11; Orchestra 9-10; Royal Regiment 9-10; Fall Play 11; Musical 9-12
2. William Keck
3. Katie Keller- Art Club 10; Honor Society 12; Spanish Club 11; Volleyball 9
4. Crystal Kelley- Choir 9, Key Club 11, Art Club 11
5. Matt Kelly

1. Maryam Khalid- Academic Decathlon 9; Boys' Girls' State 11; Debate 10-12; Honor Society 11-12; Inklings 10-12; Journalism 9; Key Club 9-10; Kwanans 9; Latin Club 11; MSA 12; Quill and Scroll 10-12; Spanish Club 9-11; Speech Team 9-12; Tennis 9-12
2. Rubiya Khan- Cross Country 12; Student Council 9; Fall Play 10; MSA 12; Diversity Club 11; LITE team 11
3. Michelle Kieker- Choir 11-12; Girls Show Choir 11; Mixed Show 12; Dance Team 9; PCA 9; French Club 9-12; GVC 11-12; Homecoming Court 10, 12; Orchestra 9-12; Rotarians 12; SADD 9; Spell Bowl 12; Student Council 9-12 (Class President 9-11; Student Body President 12); Tennis 9-12; Thespians 12; Spring Musical 10-12; Prom Court 12
4. Jessica Kille- Marching Band 10-12; Pep Band 12; Color Guard 10-12; Orchestra 9-12; Royal Regiment 10-12; Spanish Club 10-11
5. Nick Kitchell

1. Jacob Klaubo
2. Kathryn Klein- Choir 9-12; Girls' Show Choir 10; Mixed Show Choir 11-12; Showtime 12; Spanish Club 9-10; Thespians 11-12; Volleyball 9-10; Fall Play 11-12; Spring Musical 9-12
3. Mike Kmiec- Choir 9-12; Football 9-11; German Club 9; Honor Society 12; Track 10-12; Wrestling 9-11; Hockey 9-12
4. Adam Knauer
5. Daniel Knippschild

6 ashleys

12 nicks

9 amandas

14 matthews

6 brittanys

6 girls named ashley



"I planned on attending St. Joseph College because the curriculum met my career goals," Ashley Aliff said. She had also been a part of choral department since the fifth grade.



Ashley Bernacchi enjoyed hanging out with friends and running during her free time. She also was a member of the soccer team. "I had been in soccer ever since I could remember, and I loved it."



Working hard and taking pride in everything was what Ashley Dobbins said were some of her best qualities. "I also liked my talent for art because it allowed for creative and expressive outlet."



Ashley Pachowicz loved to work with kids and wanted to become a psychiatrist some day. "Anything that had to do with social work had always interested me." To help with her future plans she took Child Development.



"I enjoyed reading because it was calming and an easy way to get away from your problems," Ashley Szymborski said. In the fall, she planned on attending Ball State and to become an elementary school teacher.



Planning on becoming a elementary school teacher, Ashley Monaghan, hoped to attend Indiana University during the summer after her senior year. "I was just taking regular senior classes."



1. Erin Koch
2. Kyle Kocher - Country 912, Latin Club 911; Wrestling 911
3. Kathryn Kolava - GVC 911; Japanese Club 910; Honor Society 1112; Key Club 9; Orchestra 912; Swimming 911; Spring Musical 1112
4. Brittany Komarsinski - Concert Band 911, Marching Band 912; Pep Band 11; Symphonic 12; Cheerleading 910; Choir 1012; Girls Show Chorus 11; Mixed Show Choir 12; Royal Regiment 912; Student Council 1112
5. Jeff Kora - Pep Band 10; Orchestra 912; Spell Bowl 12



1. Jessica Kortas - FCA 9; GVC 910; Honor Society 1112; Orchestra 912; Swimming 910; Spring Musical 12
2. Katie Korzeniewski - Cheerleading 10; French Club 1011; Key Club 11
3. Kyle Kras - Showme 12
4. Daniel Krause - Escalator 12 (Asst. Ad Manager); Robotics 12; Tech Club 12
5. Krystal Krokoszka - Choir 9; German Club 912 (Officer 12) Honor Society 12; Key Club 12; Spanish Club 11



1. Andrew Krumwied - Basketball 912 (Captain 12) Football 912 (Captain 12) Inklings 12; Latin Club 9; Letterman's Club 1012; Orchestra 912
2. Matthew Kubasick - Robotics 12; Tech Club 912
3. Adam Kukulski - Band 912, Concert Band 9, Pep Band 1011; Symphonic Orchestra 10, 12; Baseball 912; Choir 912; Mixed Choir 1012; Football 912; Letterman's Club 1112; Student Council 12; Wrestling 9; QYP 12
4. Alexandra Kuraw - Softball 10; Swimming 1011
5. Laura Kuvachich - Marching Band 1012; Pep Band 912; Symphonic Band 912; Orchestra 912; Royal Regiment 912; Spanish Club 911; Volleyball 9; Spring Musical 912



1. Katie Kuvachich - Basketball 911; French Club 1012; GVC 1012; Showme 12; Student Council 911; Volleyball 912
2. Michelle LaMore - Honor Society 1112; Spanish Club 911
3. Megan Lamborn - Basketball 9; Cheerleading 10; HERO 12; Spanish Club 910
4. James Lambing
5. Brian Lambka - Football 911; Spanish Club 910



1. Brittany Lamprecht
2. Ben Lander - Track 12; Wrestling 911
3. Laski Stephanie - Honor Society 1112
4. Jessica Laumann - Band 912; Concert Band 9, 10, 12; Marching Band 910; Pep Band 9, 12; Symphonic Orchestra 11; Choir 1012; German Club 10; Japanese 912; Fall Play 10; Spring Musical 10; Debate Team 10
5. Michelle Laurie - Art Club 9; Cheerleading 912; Key Club 11; Spanish Club 10, 11



1. Ellen Leigh - Orchestra 911
2. Lauren Leoni - Choir 9; Journalism 9; Softball 9
3. Gary Lesko - Football 9
4. Jake Libauskas - Football 9; Honor Society 1112; Latin Club 912
5. Codi Linko - Concert Band 9; Pep Band 9; Honor Society 1112; Spanish Club 9; Student Council 9; Volleyball 9

1. Sarah Luedtke - Art Club 9; Band 9; Pep Band 9; Chess 10-11; FCA 9; French Club 9-12; Key Club 9-11; SADD 9-11; Student Council 11; Fall Play 9-12; Spring Musical 9-12
2. Meredith Luedtke - Cheerleading 9-12; Orchestra 9-12
3. Joseph Lukawski - Inklings 9-12 (Photographer 9-12; Creative Director 12) Windfall
4. Melissa Machay - Art Club 9-10; Chess Club 9; Escalibur 10-12 (Clubs Editor 11; Editors-Chief 12) Journalism 9-12; Key Club 9-10; Quill and Scroll 9-12; Fall Play 10; Spanish Club 9-11; Windfall
5. Andrew Macaluso - Choir 9-10



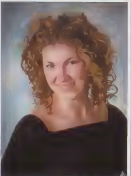
1. Nicholas Maddalone - Baseball 9; Tennis 9-12
2. Matthew Mako
3. Mallory Malcewski - SADD 12; Spanish Club 9-11; Speech Team 10; Volleyball 9; Debate 10, 11
4. Erika Malloy - German Club 9-12; SADD 10; Sotball 9-12
5. Jessica Malott - Choir 9-11; French Club 11-12; Spanish Club 9-11



1. Zach Manes - Baseball 9-10; Football 9
2. Eric Manley - Football 9-12; German Club 10; Spanish Club 9
3. Klimentina Markoski - French Club 9; GVC 10-12; Honor Society 11-12; Kowans 9; Lann Club 10-12; Swimming 10-12; Track 10
4. Tricia Marlow - Girls Show Choir 10; Model Show Choir 11; FCA 9; Orchestra 12 FFA 9-11; Toy Knot Knights 11
5. Daniel Marshall



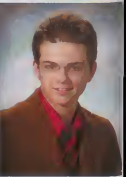
1. Stacy Martin - Cheerleading 9-10-12; GVC 9-10; Homecoming Court 11-12; Inklings 10-12; Journalism 9, 12; Quill and Scroll 10-12; Rotarians 12; Student Council 11-12; Track 9-10; Prom Court 12
2. Lisa Martinez - Choir 9-12; Japanese Club 9-10
3. Sara Mass - HERO 12; Lann Club 9; Spanish Club 10-11
4. Christopher T. May - Marching 10-12; Jazz 11-12; Pep 9-12; Symphonic 10-12; Latin Club 11; Orchestra 9, 11-12; Royal Regiment 10-12; Spring Musical 11-12
5. Mari McColey



1. Josh McCollum - Concert Band 9-11; Marching 11; Pep 9-11; Boys' Girls' State 11-12; Letterman's Club 9-11; Royal Regiment 11; Swimming 9-12
2. Amanda McCormick - Fall Play 11-12; GVC 9-12; Honor Society 11-12; Key Club 11; Kowans 10-11; Rotarians; Spring Musical 11-12; Soccer 9-12; Track 9; Prom Court 12
3. Shaun McFarland - Academic Team 9; Swimming 9-12 (Manager); PEP 9
4. Jackie McLaughlin - Band 9; Marching Band 10-12; Jazz Band 12; Pep 9-12; Honor Society 12; Key Club 9-10; Orchestra 10-12; Spanish Club 9-11; Fall Play 11-12; Spring Musical 9-12; Wind Symphony 10-12; Woodwind Ensemble 12
5. Simone Means



1. Cori Mellen - Freshman Girls' Choir 9; Mixed Choir 10; Treble Choir 11; Concert Choir 12; Honor Society 11-12; Homecoming Court 9; Soccer 9-10; Spell Bowl 12; Student Council 9-12 (Class Secretary 12); Track 9
2. Ben Mendenhall
3. Derek Menefee - Choir 10-11; Cross Country 9; Track 9, 10
4. Adam Merkle - Escalibur 11-12 (Academics Editor 12; Football 9, 10; Journalism 10; Spanish Club 11
5. Ryan Merritt - Japanese Club 9-11





1. Dane Mettman- Cross Club 10-11; Japanese Club 9-12; Debate 11-12; Speech 11-12
2. Angela Meyers
3. Brandon Meyers- Hockey 9-12
4. Katie Mickey- Baseball (Manager) 11-12; Honor Society 11-12; Soccer 9; Spanish Club 9-12; Student Council 10
5. Christopher Miller- Lann Club 9-12 (State Officer); Rotarians 12



1. Terra Miller
2. Keith Mills
3. Kaede Mimura- Exchange Student, Japan
4. Steven Modrowski
5. Mark Moes



1. Michael Mohr- Football 9-12; German Club 10-12; Gymnastics (Manager) 10-12; Honor Society 11-12; Letterman's Club 11-12; Track 9, 11-12; Wrestling 9-10; Spring Musical 12
2. Ashley Monaghan- Art Club 9; Bowling 11; Choir 9-12; Swimming 9; Track 9-12
3. Rebecca Montemayor
4. Amanda Moore- Basketball 9-12 (Captain '12); GVC 10-12; Lann Club 9-11; Rotarians 12
5. Kristen Morasan- Basketball 9-12; Choir 9-12; Key Club 11



1. Celeste Morrison- Concert Band 9-11; Marching Band 10-11; Pep 9-11; Symphonic 11; French Club 9-11; Honor Society 11-12; Royal Regiment 10-11; Swimming 9-11
2. William Morrison- Japanese Club 9-10
3. Serge Mosende- Soccer 9-12
4. Nathan Mueller- Band 9-10; Marching 9-10; Symphonic 9; FCA 9; German Club 9-10; Honor Society 11-12; Rotarians 12; Royal Regiment 9-10; Theatrics 10-12; Fall Play 9-12; Spring Musical 9-12
5. Christopher Murphy



1. Matt Myers- Japanese Club 10
2. Sara Mylswice
3. Alex Nelson- Cross Country 9-12; Japanese Club 11-12; Honor Society 11-12; Lann Club 9-10; Track 9-11; Spring Musical 12; Project RESPECT 11-12
4. Anthony Nelson- Inklings 11-12; Journalism 9-11; Key Club 11; Lann Club 9-12; SADD 9-11; Tennis 9-11; Track 10-12; Wrestling 9-10
5. Cornell Nelson



1. Jon Newberry- Excalibur 11-12 (Photo Editor); Journalism 11-12; Letterman's Club 10-12; Theatrics 11-12; Trainers 10-11; Fall Play 9-12; Spring Musical 9-12; Football Manager 10-12
2. Katelyn Niernan
3. Erin Nonos
4. Saja Obradovic- Swimming 9-12; Letterman's Club 10-12
5. Matthew Osojnicki

friends forever and ever

Seniors Kristie Deedrick, Shaun McFarland, Olivia Bowman remain friends from middle school through high school

Spending most of their time talking about music, and school events, Kristie Deedrick, Shaun McFarland, and Olivia Bowman have been inseparable for the past five years.

"I've known Olivia for thirteen years and Kristie for about five," senior Shaun McFarland said, "I actually met Olivia on the playground in kindergarten."

As years went by they learned more and more about the value of friendship and the qualities needed to make a friendship work.

"I believe friends should be caring, nice and loving with each other and concerned with feelings," Olivia Bowman said.

Olivia and Shaun did not let the miles between their houses keep them from helping a friend.

"This one time, Olivia and Shaun walked all the way to my house to make me feel better when I was sick," senior Kristie Deedrick said.





1. Sarah Ott: French Club 11; Fall Play 11-12; Spring Musical 11-12
 2. Ashley Packowicz: French Club 11-12
 3. Edward Packowski: Art Club 12; Jodelings 10-12; Journalism 9-12; Quill and Scroll 10-12; Fall Play 11
 4. Lindsey Pals: Academic Decathlon, Choir 9-12; Girls Show Choir 10-11; Mixed Show 12; F.A. 9-11; German Club 9-10; Honor Society 11-12; Student Council 9-11; Tennis 8-10; Fall Play 11-12; Spring Musical 10-12; Pecos Court 12
 5. Micah Palmateer: Track 9



1. Matthew Parker
 2. Tommy Parks: Baseball 9-12; Basketball 9-11; Football 9-12 (Captain 12); French Club 9-11; Honor Society 11-12; Homecoming Court 12; Letterman's Club 10-12
 3. Jon Parry: Band 9-12; Concert 9; Marching 9-12; Jazz 9-12; Pep 9-12; Symphonic 10-12; Orchestra 9-12; Royal Regiment 9-12; Spring Musical 9-12
 4. Joe Patrick: Football 9-12; Baseball 9-12
 5. Kristina Pavides



1. Christopher Palikowski: Choir 10-12; Mixed Show 10-12 (Male Choreographer 12); FCA 9-12; German Club 9; Honor Society 11-12; Homecoming Court 11; Key Club 9-11 (Publicist 11); SADD 9-11 (Vice-President 11); Showtime 11-12; Student Council 11; Tennis 9-11; Thespians 10-12; Fall Play 10-12; Spring Musical 9-12; Tech Club 9; Project RESPECT 11; QYP 11-12; Talent Show 9-10
 2. Andrew Peretin: Baseball 9-12; Chess Club 9; Letterman's Club 11-12; Spanish Club 9-11; Tennis 9-12
 3. Courtney Perry: Basketball 9-12; Honor Society 12; Lann Club 9-11
 4. Jennifer Perry



5. Krystle Peterson: Art Club 11-12; Choir 9-12; Color Guard 11; Dog Crew 9-10; Powderpuff Football 12; Speech Team 10; Fall Play 12; Spring Musical 12
 1. Nikola Pitarski
 2. Nikola Pitarski: French Club 9; HERO 12; Lann Club 10-11
 3. Andrew Podgornik: Auto Club 11-12; Thespians 11-12; Fall Play 10-12; Spring Musical 10-12
 4. Sean Podkul: Band: Concert 9-10; Pep 9-10; German Club 9; Royal Regiment 10
 5. Matt Pogorzelski: Football 9-12; Honor Society 11-12; Lann Club 9-11



1. Natalie Polisson: Choir 9-12; Girls Show Choir 9; Mixed Show Choir 10-12; FCA 11-12; GVL 9-12; Dance 9-12; Honor Society 11-12; Homecoming Court 12; Lann Club 9-11; Orchestra 9-12; Rotarians 12; Showtime 12; Student Council 9-11; Thespians 9-12; Fall Play 11-12; Musical 9-12
 2. Maxwell Popovich
 3. Daniella Pusara: Basketball 9-10; French Club 9-11; Trainers 10; Volleyball 9
 4. Abby Putman
 5. Kristi Quigley: Basketball 9-12; Volleyball 9-10



1. Carrie Quinn
 2. Cynthia Quiroz: Choir 10-12
 3. Donald Rash
 4. Ana Radicecka: Choir 9-12; Girls Show Choir 12; Lann Club 9-11; SADD 10; Soccer 12; Tennis 11-12; Fall Play 10-12; Spring Musical 10-12
 5. Jessica Ramirez: Soccer 10; Softball 9-11; Spanish Club 9-10; Swimming 9

1. Rachel Raney- Art Club 9-10; German Club 9-10; GVC 9-12; Honor Society 11-12; Key Club 9; SADD 9; Swimming 9-10; Track 10-12
2. Kenneth Rasmussen
3. Joe Rattazzi- Band 9-10; Concert Band 9; Pep 9-11; Symphonic 10-11; Cross Country 9-12; Honor Society 11-12; Lann 9-12; Letterman's Club 9-12; Orchestra 11; Rotarians 12; Royal Regiment 10-11; Track 9-12
4. Joe Rediger
5. Stephanie Reeve



1. Jennifer Reid- Choir 9-10; French Club 9-12; Honor Society 11-12; Orchestra 9-12; Chamber Orchestra 10
2. Kyla Reno- Dance Team 9-12; GVC 9-12; Track 9-12
3. Crystal Reno- Choir 9-12; Girls Show Choir 10-11; Dance Team 9-10; German Club 11; GVC 10; Lann Club 9-10; Spring Musical 10
4. Nick Rerig
5. Allison Ricard



1. Michelle Rickert
2. Heather Robison
3. James Rogers- Japanese 9-11
4. Justin Rogers
5. Scott Rogers



1. Christina Reese- Choir 9-12; Swimming 9-10
2. Mark Rosenwinkel- Football 9; Spanish Club 11
3. Anjelica Rospond- Basketball 9-12; GVC 9-12; Spanish Club 9; Volleyball 9-10
4. Paige Rothrock- Cheerleading 9; Cross Country 9; FCA 9; GVC 9-12; Homecoming Court 11; Rotarians 12; Soccer 9-12; Spanish Club 9; Track 9-12
5. Courtney Rowe- Concert Band 9-10; Marching Band 9-10; Cheerleading 9; Dance Team 10-12; GVC 9; HERO 12; Honor Society 11-12; Homecoming Court 12; Royal Regiment 9-10; Student Council 12; Track 9

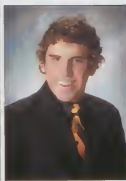


1. Samantha Ruble
2. Christopher Rudersmidt
3. Savannah Ruiz-Nolan- Softball 9-10
4. Nick Russ- Band 9-12; Jazz Band 11-12; Pep Band 9-12; Symphonic 10-12; Football 9-12; Lann Club 9-12; Letterman's Club 11-12; Orchestra 9, 11-12; Showtime 12; Track 9-10; Fall Play 12; Spring Musical 11-12
5. Heather Russel



1. Erhan Sajdera
2. Jennifer Santelli- Cheerleading 9; French Club 9-11; HERO 12; Orchestra 9-11
3. Kaitlin Sapita- Choir 9; GVC 11-12; Lann Club 9-11; Showtime 11-12; Track 9-10; Volleyball 9-12
4. Chris Saroff- Baseball 9-12
5. Brandon Schaafsma





1. Christopher Scharbach
2. Craig Schiesser
3. Kiah Schlesinger Spring Musical 9;
11; Fall Play 11-12; Choir 9-12; Mixed
Show Choir 12; Girls' Show Choir 10-
11; Concert Choir 11-12; Thespians
11-12; Spanish Club 9; FCA 9-10;
Showtime 12
4. Michael Schramm-Choir 10-12; Letter-
man's Club 10-12; Soccer 9-11
5. Javon Schuetz-Golf 9-11



1. Samantha Schultz- German Club 9,
HERO 12
2. Joe Searer- Diving 9-11
3. Amanda Seberger- Band 9-12; Concert
9; Marching 9-12, Jazz 10-12; Symphonic
10-12 Royal Regiment 9-12; Spring Musi-
cal 9-10
4. Melissa Seberger- Marching Band 9-
12; Pep 9-12; Symphonic 10-12; Orchestra
9-12; Royal Regiment 9-12; Spring Musi-
cal 10-12
5. Brent Segura- German Club 12



1. Jon Serich- Baseball 9-12; Football
9-12; Homecoming Court 11-12; Letter-
man's Club 9-12
2. Kenneth Shaffer
3. Scott Shellenberger- Track 9-12
4. Jessica Shreve- Orchestra 9-12
5. Brina Shurtz- Choir 9-12



1. Kimberly Sine- Chess Club 9-10;
Choir 9-12; Spanish Club 9
2. Kimberly Slanina
3. Thomas Slawinski
4. Brittany Smith- Softball 9; Spanish
Club 9-11
5. Heather Smith- Escalibur 10-12 (Index
Editor 12); French Club 12; Journalism;
Swimming 9



1. Kyle Smith- Academic Team 11; Concert
Band; 9-10; Marching Band 10; Jazz Band 10;
Pep Band 10; Boys' Girls' State; Choir 9-10;
Musical Show 9-12; Fall Play 11-12; FCA 10;
German Club 9 (Treasurer) Honor Society
11-12 (Director of Leadership) Key Club 9-12
(Vice President 11, Secretary 12) Kwanzaa
9-11; Letterman's Club 12-12; Math Club 9;
QYP 10-12; Rotarians 12; SADO 9-11 (Tres-
surer 11) Spring Musical 9-12; Student Coun-
cil 9; Tech Club 9; Tennis 9-12 (Captain 12)
Thespians 11-12; Wrestling 9



2. Nathan Snyder - Bowling 12, Japanese
Club 9-10, Spell Bowl 11-12
3. Sean Sprehe- Football 9-12, German Club
9-11, Letterman's Club 11-12
4. John Stangel- Academic Decathlon 9-12;
Choir 10; Cross Country 9; Honor Society 12;
Spanish Club 9-10; Swimming 11; Fall Play
10; Science Olympiad 9-10; Stats Managers 9;
Class President 9-10 (Whiting); Environmental
Club 9-10
5. Brandon Stanley

1. Jacob Steining
2. Jeff Stephan- Bowling 9-12; Spanish Club
10-11
3. Anna Stephens- GVC 9-12; Homecoming
Court 9-10; Softball 9-12; Spanish Club 9
4. Mark Stringer- Art Club 9-10; German
Club 9-10; Letterman's Club 9; Volleyball 9
5. Ethan Sumner- Band; Concert 9-11;
Marching 9-11; Pep 9-11; Symphonic 9-11;
Basketball 9-12 (Manager) DARE Role Mod-
els 11-12; German Club 9-12; Honor Society
11-12; Letterman's Club 9-12; Royal Regiment
9-11

generally speaking



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relationships in general

"Relationships were ~~good~~ for ~~some~~ people, but others did not need them."

Josh Arnold

school in general

"High school made ~~me~~ realize ~~not~~ to take things for granted and to give things time."



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Jennifer Perry



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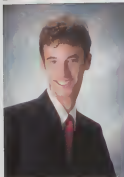
life in general

"Life is a ~~precious~~ commodity, live ~~it~~!"

Kiely Schlesinger



1. Ashley Symbrski
2. Ginell Tano
3. Chris Teaton
4. Will Theodorow- Basketball 910; Football 9; French Club 11-12; Golf 9-12; Letterman's Club 10-12; Showtime 12; Spanish Club 9-10; Student Council 9-12
5. Kathryn Titus- Chess Club 9-11; Choir 9-12; Girls Show Choir 12; Japanese Club 10-12; Showtime 12; Speech Team 10-11; Swimming (Manager) 12



1. Thomas Tokoly- Academic Team 10-12 (Science Captain 11); Boys/Girls State 11; Chess Club 9; Honor Society 11-12 (Director of Community Service 12); Key Club 9-12 (Treasurer 11, President 12); Kowians 9-12; Letterman's Club 9-12; SADD 12; Student Council 12; Tennis 9-12 (Captain 11-12) Valedictorian 12; Quiz Bowl 10-12
2. Andrew Tomczak- Japanese Club 9
3. Kliment Trajcevi
4. John Treece
5. Laura Trol



1. Alex Tsikouris- Letterman's Club 9-12; Spanish Club 9-12; Student Council 9-12; Tennis 9-12; Track 12
2. Laura Unhoef- German Club 9-11; Key Club 9-10
3. Richard Usdowski - Baseball 9-10; Honor Society 11-12
4. Stephanie Vaca- Orchestra 9-12; Track 9-12
5. Derek Vajda



1. Stephanie Valois
2. Rachel VanDeWingarde - Art Club 10-11; Band 9-12; Concert Band 10-12; Marching Band 9-12; Pep 9-12; Symphonic Orchestra 11; Choir 9-11; French Club 9-10; Japanese Club 12; Orchestra 10-11; Royal Regiment 9-12; Spanish Club 11
3. Stefani Veljanovski - Basketball 9-10; GVC 9-12; Honor Society 11-12; Key Club 9; Latin Club 9-11; Orchestra 9; Gymnastics 9-11
4. Josephine Vang- HERO 12
5. Mathew Vargas



1. Kristy Vaughan- Choir 10-12; German Club 9-12
2. Stefani Veljanovski
3. Carrie Vevers- Choir 10-12; Latin Club 9; Track 9-10; Fall Play 10-11
4. Jaskelyn Waznik - Basketball 9-10; GVC 9-12; Honor Society 11-12; Track 9-12; Volleyball 9-11
5. Brian Wagner



1. Amanda Walters- GVC 9-12; Honor Society 11-12; Inklings 9-12; Journalism 12; Kowians 9-11; Latin Club 9-11; Quill and Scroll 9-12; Showtime 11-12; Student Council 9-10; Track 9; Volleyball 9-11
2. Bethany Walters
3. Jeff Waspi- Bowling 9-12; Golf 9-10
4. Khristan Wease
5. Katie Weller- Escalator 10-12 (Sports Editor 11-12); Honor Society 11-12; Inklings 10-12; Journalism 9 (Opinion Editor 10); Entertainment Editor 11; Service Editor, 12; Quill and Scroll 10-12 (Secretary); Spanish Club 9-11; Fall Play 9-11; Spring Musical 9-10

1. Jeremy Wellman- Band 8-11, Concert Band 9-11, Jazz Band 10-11, Pep 9-10, Lann Club 9-12, Track 11
2. Todd Wells- Football 9-12, Letterman's Club 11-12
3. Patrick West
4. Samantha West- French Club 9-12, Tennis 10-11
5. Ricky Westerhoff



1. Matthew Whitehead
2. Leslie Wilcox- Bowling 10-12, Lann Club 9, Fall Play 10, Spring Musical 10
3. Sadie Williams- Cross Country 9-12, Track 9-12, Inklings 11,12
4. Stephen Williams
5. Sean Wilson- Band 9-10, Marching 9-10, Pep 9-10, Cross Country 11-12, Royal Regiment 9-10, Track 9-12



1. Tiffany Wilson- Choir 9-10, French Club 10-12
2. Jon Woodbury- Basketball 9-10, German Club 9-12
3. Kevin Worst
4. Ben Wright
5. David Young



1. Samantha Zick - Gymnastics 9-12
2. Ryan Zmuda
3. Nicholas Zolfo- Cross Country 9, Football 9, German Club 9-10, SADD 9, Showtime 12, Track 9
4. Melissa Zurbruggen- Basketball 9-10, Volleyball 9



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While working on a lab in physics class, Amanda Harrison and Lauren Weiss work with static electricity. It was fun learning how different materials cause different reactions," Lauren said.

In his visual basics class, Andrew Wirtz tests for any glitches that may have occurred in his Mario-style video game. "I'm really proud of the game—it took a long time to make," Andrew said.

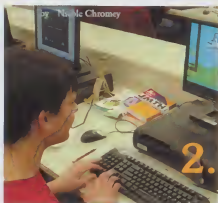


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During a physics project in Mr. Kelly Loving's class, which entailed creating a cardboard chair that could withstand a certain weight, Dustin Hunt lounges in a pile of cardboard. "I regret waiting until the last minute to make our chair," Dustin said. "We were pressed for time."

In his sixth hour Spanish class, Anthony Bishop poses for a fashion show while Kara Ingelhart describes his clothing in Spanish. "The fashion show was an awesome way to learn Spanish vocabulary," Anthony said.

>> officers <<



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President

"I really enjoyed the special needs dance. It was fun seeing everyone have a good time."

Amber Hart



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Vice President

"I liked being recognized for trying to make school more fun."

Kara Ingelhart



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Treasurer

"I enjoyed being a voice for my class and having a say in what went on in the school."

Jaclyn Altpeter

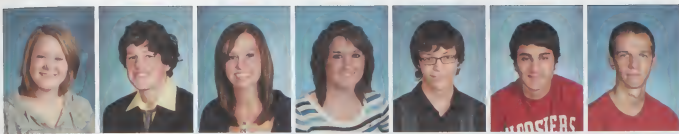


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Secretary

"I liked Student Council because it gave me the opportunity to lead my classmates."

Abdullah Malik



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6. Asad Ahmed
7. David Akey



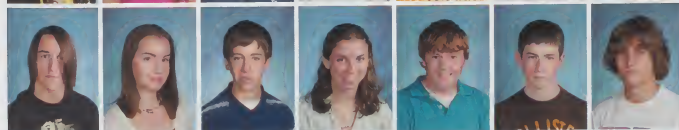
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5. Jennifer Aloia
6. Andrew Alt
7. Jacquelyn Altpeter



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2. Amy Angeline
3. Elizabeth Argandine
4. Jacquelin Armstrong
5. Michelle Armstrong
6. Michelle Arseneau
7. Kevin Artman



1. Gloria Aveses
2. Megan Ast
3. Christopher Austgen
4. Kyle Bacon
5. Andrew Bagnara
6. Jacob Baird
7. Joseph Baker



1. Matthew Baker
2. Beth Ballard
3. Eric Ballard
4. Jennifer Bane
5. Ryan Banister
6. Kevin Bannon
7. Nicholas Barber



1. Gabrielle Barbeson
2. Gerald Barkey, II
3. Kristin Batz
4. Cassandra Bauhan
5. Zaira Becerra
6. Michael Bell
7. Alicia Bellamy



1. Philip Bessette
2. Amanda Beverly
3. Anthony Bishop
4. Michael Bishop
5. Joshua Black
6. Eleanor Blankenship
7. Cody Blue



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2. Brooke Bonich
3. Ron Borchert
4. Ashley Borgnoli
5. Nicholas Bosnak
6. James Bostic
7. Rebecca Bottorff

1. Nicholas Bouldin
2. Samantha Bova
3. Anjela Bowman
4. Michael Boyan
5. Kyle Brazel
6. Aaron Brown
7. Ashley Brown



1. Caroline Brown
2. Logan Brown
3. Nicole Brown
4. Jacob Brumfield
5. Zachary Brumm
6. Zachary Brun
7. Molly Bucci



1. Adam Budgin
2. Jillian Burke
3. Tierney Burke
4. Evan Burrell
5. Michelle Calhoun
6. Amy Carrell
7. Kyle Carroll



1. Zachary Cecich
2. Sean Certa
3. Danielle Chiaro
4. Russell Chick
5. Matthew Childress
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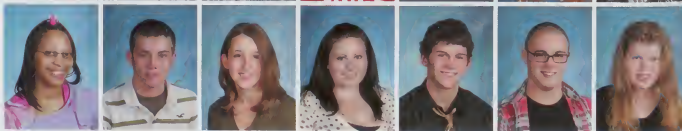
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6. Stephanie Daves
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2. Michael DeBok
3. Jennifer DeLong
4. Brittany Denison
5. Benjamin Derks
6. Brian DeRuntz
7. Anne Deweese





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2. Alexander Duficim
3. Jeremy Dorusha
4. Nicholas Drakulich
5. Amanda Dravet
6. Aless DuBernard
7. Mark Duffy, Jr.



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2. Daniel Edwards
3. Amy Ehrhart
4. Courtney Ellingsen
5. Crystal Ellsworth
6. Nathan Enloe
7. Sarah Eriks



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2. Ashly Ewing
3. Enn Fabrice
4. Antonia Fackler
5. Amy Fairchild
6. Christine Fairchild
7. Michelle Farnsworth



1. Maxwell Faight
2. Amico-Lynn Favia
3. Andrew Feder
4. Steven Fedno
5. Stephanie Feliciano
6. Daniel Feller
7. Anthony Fennell



1. Mana Ficker
2. Ashley Fisher
3. Stephanie Flans
4. John Foeller
5. Derek Fornof
6. Melissa Fowler
7. Raymond Fraley



1. Briana Frasure
2. James Frasure
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7. Vincent Furman



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3. Kate Gardiner
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5. Lindsay Gernenz
6. Bryce Gibbs
7. Jonathan Glass



1. Haile Gonlag
2. Tricia Gonsowski
3. Chelsea Gora
4. Kyle Gorman
5. Phillip Grede
6. Zachary Groff
7. Sean Grossmann



Jordan Mazur

Photo submitted by Jordan Mazur

QA : How did you get to dance the *Nutcracker*?
 : "I began one year by attending the auditions when I was nine. After becoming a member of the company, I had auditioned for all the shows after. That was my seventh *Nutcracker*, having performed in them every year except 2000 from when I was nine."

QA : Describe the experience.
 : "A lot of hours, hard work, aches and pains, and lack of sleep was involved. You created friends with those you danced with, and it was of course fun to do. You also became an example for all the younger dancers with big aspirations."

QA : What did you do in the *Nutcracker*?
 : "While there is obviously a lot of dancing, acting skills were also required to tell the story without words. You rehearse like crazy up until the shows; then you put a smile on and just relax and have a good time."

QA : Why did you choose to dance?
 : "I had been dancing since I was three, so I can't imagine my life without it. It had become part of who I am, and I was constantly doing it. Also, on the bright side it was great exercise."

QA : Where did you practice? When?
 : "I became a member of the Indiana Ballet Theatre Northwest and danced at Imperial Dance Studio (now the Academy of the Indiana Ballet Theatre.) I still dance there and had also danced with Civic Dance Center in Portage, where I was dancing at least four up to seven days a week."

QA : Would you go again? Why or why not?
 : "Yes, it really gave me and idea about what I was getting myself into. I got to see memorials that I hadn't seen before; and I not only learned a lot about law, but history and society as well."

QA : What was your learning experience from this trip?
 : "Leadership qualities and people skills. You were thrown into a group of people you didn't know, they became your surrogate family; you slept, ate, and stayed up all night working on projects together."

QA : Are you interested in the law field now because of the trip?
 : "I thought I wanted to be practicing in the court room, but I learned about a different direction that interested me more; entertainment/intellectual property law, working with actors and musicians."

QA : How did this trip help you overall?
 : "It gave me a better understanding concerning what I wanted to do with my life. I learned so much! I learned more about the process of Supreme Court hearings vs. federal ones. I decided that I want to go into music education, teach for awhile, then go back to law school."



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1. Clara Choue
2. Stephanie Gluch
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5. Sarah Haines
6. Markus Andrew Hall
7. Brett Halon





1. Dantel Hamilton
2. Kyle Hunsoway
3. Huiley Hardin
4. Amanda Harrison
5. Sean Harrison
6. Amber Hart
7. Andy Hasty



1. Michael Haverstock
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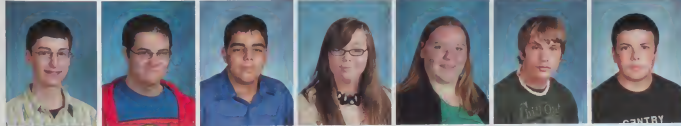
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3. Shenchen Howey
4. Randall Hudi
5. Jason Hulen
6. Corey Humphrey
7. Dustin Hunt



1. Megan Hupke
2. Steven Illies
3. Kara Ingelhart
4. Nathan Ingram
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6. Angelique Izarray
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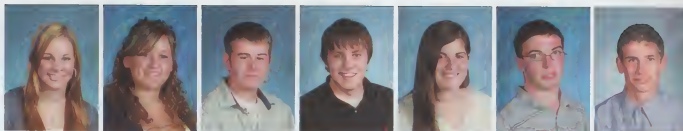


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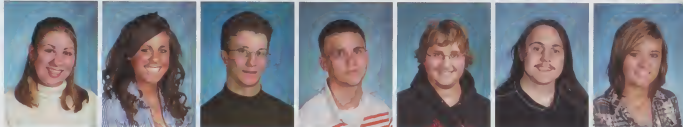
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6. David Lambka
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4. Zachary Lara
5. John Lattuada
6. Charlotte Laus
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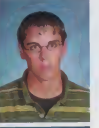
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generally speaking



Louis Gallo

relationships in general

"I think relationships in general could be bad. Why? People in high school are not mature enough to have a steady and good relationship."

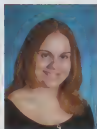
life in general

"I think life in general is something to be cherished, thought out, planned, and to be lived to its fullest capacity."



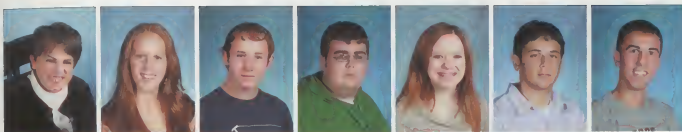
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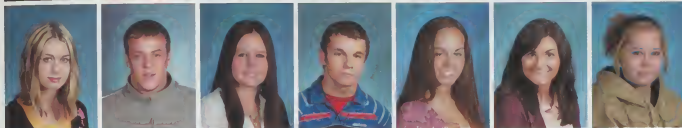


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4. Dominick Pilipovich
5. Abigail Pillar
6. Michael Plumb
7. Sean Polacek



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4. Miki Prentoski
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7. Megan Purkhiser



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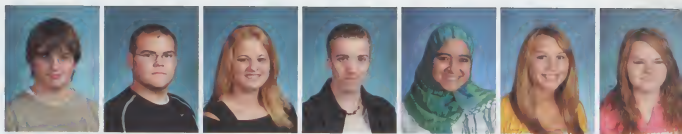


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7. Mark Seip

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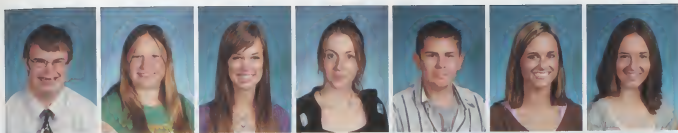


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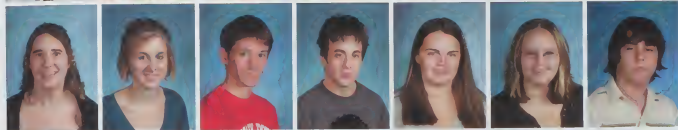


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4. Rodney Watson
5. Carmen Weiller
6. Lauren Weiss
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7. Jon Wheeler



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3. Marshall Williams
4. Matthew Williams
5. Charles Wilson
6. Joseph Wilson
7. Josephine Wilson



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2. Ashley Winters
3. Andrew Wirtz
4. Ryan Wirtz
5. Jennifer Wood
6. Dustin Wooley
7. Leah Worlie



1. Breana Wolczynski
2. Taryn Wysocki
3. Victor Yankovitz
4. Samantha Young
5. Blake Zakutinsky
6. Igor Zasepsky
7. Jaclyn Zurbruggen

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>>one. Enjoying a break from AP European History. Matt Cruise and Adam De Both engage in a conversation during a celebration pizza party. "When you were a sophomore, you got more freedom and respect," Matt said.

>>two. In French club, Kristina Budgin and Leanna Linaris put toppings on their crepes. For the first meeting of the year, the foreign language clubs treated themselves to a wide variety of cultural food.



>>three. Lending a hand. Kelsey Rather helps Joey Nauta unwrap his secret Santa gift. "I liked helping the other kids, and I loved seeing them smile when they saw me in the hallway," Kelsey said.

>>four. For the first time James Bakalik donates blood during the blood drive held by Student Council. "With the age limit, I was actually able to give blood this year," James said. Student Council held the drive on a yearly basis. Age sixteen was the cutoff for donating.

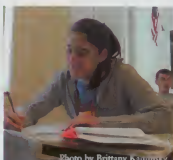


>>Officers<<



President

"I liked being involved with the school and representing my classmates."
Ashley Morfin



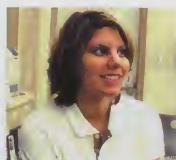
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"I liked helping other people out and Student Council was a great way,"
Sydney Reeves



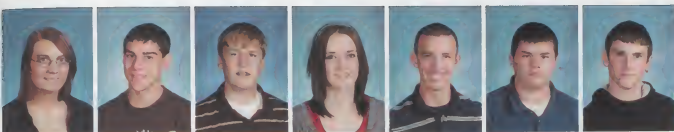
Treasurer

"Student Council was fun, and I felt good doing things around the school."
Rachel Ignas

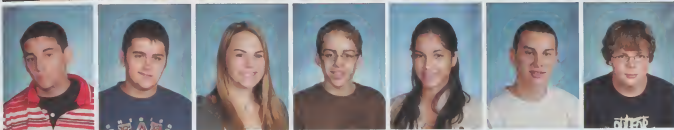


Secretary

"I liked Student Council; I could be more involved and make a difference."
Marissa Feliciano



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3. Nathaniel Akers
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5. Tyler Albenon
6. Scott Alder
7. Joseph Alissa



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2. Michael Alvarado
3. Nicole Amodeo
4. Brice Anderson
5. Caroline Anderson
6. Cody Anderson
7. Jacob Anderson



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2. Dana Andreoli
3. Kyle Angel
4. Jaclyn Anglis
5. Nicholas Anker, II
6. Miles Atherton
7. Peyton Atwood



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3. Brenda Avila
4. Zachary Babcock
5. Alyssa Bach
6. James Bakalik-Shelton
7. Samuel Balicki



1. Matthew Baliga
2. Charles Balmes, Jr.
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4. Jason Ban
5. Marlene Barajas
6. Evan Barnum-Stegger
7. Julia Barrera



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4. Jonathan Bellinger
5. Kloe Belush
6. Dana Bernachi
7. Megan Binder



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4. Cecilia Budlove
5. Jamie Burns
6. Alexandra Bushby



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4. Amber Calhoun
5. Kaitlin Cannon
6. Jenna Carlson
7. Chelsea Carter



1. Claudia Castanon
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5. Juanita Cervantes
6. Shayne Chandler
7. Ryan Chas



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2. Lucas Copeland
3. Paul Coppess
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5. Kyle Cortese
6. Donald Covaciu
7. Christopher Craft



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2. Matthew Cruz
3. Shelby Culver
4. Rebecca Cygan
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6. Katherine Danno
7. Samantha Darnell



1. Thomas Davidson
2. Kevin Davis
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6. Hannah DeLaughter
7. Rachel Dines





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4. John Dykstra
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7. Trisha Eberly



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3. Ahmed Elshity
4. Juan Esper
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4. Anthony Ferrara
5. Sarah Ferry
6. Sam Finick
7. Alexandra Firehau



1. Kara Fitzpatrick
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3. Elizabeth Fleszewski
4. Ross Florkiewicz
5. Staci Foglio
6. Trisha Fontanyi
7. Kacie Ford



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3. DJ Frampton
4. David Fredericks
5. Jocelyn Fredericks-Valentine
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7. Emily Frundle



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1. Nicholas Galvan
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6. Kaitlin Gasaway
7. Taylor Gaston

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6 boys named nick



Photo by Lisa Newberry

Nick Jones

"I'm not going to lie, I like the name Nick because it is easy to remember," Nick Jones said.



Photo by Lindsey Saito

Nick Pluchinsky

"The name Nick reminded me of Santa Clause; you know, St. Nick," Nick Pluchinsky said.



Photo by Melissa Katic

Nick Thomas

"I liked the name Nick because it was short and easy to spell when I was a kid," Nick Thomas said.



Photo by Matthew Edwards

Nick Henderson

"Other than being called Nick, people also called me by my last name, too," Nick Henderson said.



Photo by Brittany Kari

Nick Martin

"My name is Nick because it was the only name my parents could agree on when I was born," Nick Martin said.



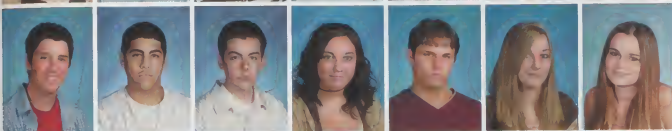
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Nick Bruno

"I was supposed to be a girl, and they wanted to name me Nicole, so when I turned out as a boy they changed it to Nicholas," Nick Bruno said.



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7. Maja Gjorgjevska



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6. Kyle Kujawski
7. Matthew Kukuryga



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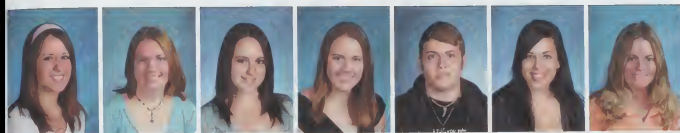


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6. Juan Montoya
7. Ashley Morfin



Photo submitted by Brooke Hruby

Brooke Hruby

QA : Why did you want to go skydiving and who did you go with?

: "I wanted to see what it was like to fly and it seemed like a thrill. I went with my mom, my two brothers, and my brother's girlfriend."

QA : What clothes and safety equipment did you have wear?

: "They made me wear a full jumpsuit, harness, and parachute."

QA : What was your favorite part of your whole skydiving experience?

: "Jumping out of the plane was definitely my favorite thing. It was so cool the way your stomach dropped completely."

QA : How long were you actually skydiving for?

: "The free fall is 60 seconds, however, you can only feel it for 9 seconds. In all, you're in the air for 6 whole minutes."

QA : When you finally reached the ground was the landing a smooth one or did it hurt?

: "It was a smooth landing, but the harness kind of rode up during the ride down."

QA : Is skydiving anything you would do again in your life and why?

: "Skydiving was an amazing experience, and I would love to do it again!"

QA : What was your band's name and who was in it? What was the most important to the band?

: "The name of our band was Seven ATE Nine. Jake Anderson (10) and two other students from a different school were in our band. The most important thing was making music and writing new songs."

QA : What was your biggest influence?

: "My dad used to listen to the same music, and it was nice to have a good influence in your life; it helped me do good things."

QA : Was music inspiring to you?

: "It was. It helped me a lot. If I was in a cruddy mood, I listened to songs that expressed the same feelings I had. If I was angry, the metal and screaming helped me cope with it, especially listening to the inspiring lyrics. Most people thought that kind of music was like 'die, die, die', but it was actually very inspirational."

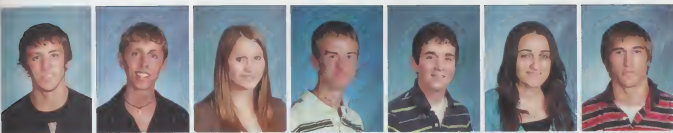
QA : Did you want to continue on with a career in music?

: "Music was pretty much my life. I had other things I did, but when I was screaming in front of a crowd, the rush of 30-45 fans enjoying my band's music was awesome. I hope one day it could be my life career."



Photo by Jon Newberry

Steve Clark



1. Brendan Morin
2. Christopher Mostello
3. Kaleigh Mueller
4. Stephen Muenstermann
5. Alexander Murzyn
6. Noor Musleh
7. Mark Myers



1. Eric Nadolski
2. Wade Nagy
3. Violeta Naumoski
4. William Neff
5. Jerett Nelson
6. Yanita Nieves
7. Evan Nikin



1. Andrew Noak
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3. Natalie Nonos
4. Joshua Nottingham
5. Adam Nowak
6. Rachel Nowak
7. Jennifer O'Connell



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3. Jason Ogan
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5. Rachel Olson
6. Daniel Osojnicki
7. Paul Ote



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2. Jessica Palfi
3. Zachary Palmateer
4. Carol Palmer
5. Kathryn Papamihalakis
6. David Parks
7. Marybeth Parks



1. Ana Parrish
2. Kire Pawlowski
3. Nicholas Pazi
4. Kelly Pear
5. Jesus Perez
6. Brian Phillips
7. Jeffrey Phillips



1. Travis Pitchford
2. Nolan Pitman
3. Hayley Plummer
4. Jeremy Pogorzelski
5. Samantha Polus
6. Katharine Poniatowski
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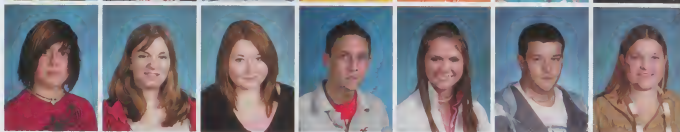
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4. Joshua Riede
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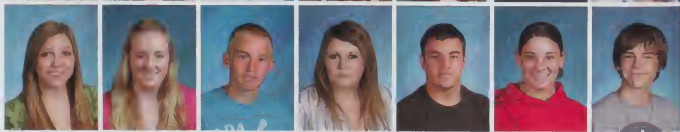
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3. Michael Stevens
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6. Brandon Stringer
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3. Taylor Sykes
4. Melissa Symmes
5. Kailee Tanner
6. Stephen Tantis
7. Andjela Tarailo



1. Daniela Tarailo
2. Casey Taylor
3. Edward Teesdale-Shern
4. Jennifer Terpstra
5. Andrae Thames
6. Abigail Thomas
7. Nicholas Thomas



1. Brian Thomas-Choppa
2. Katlin Topp
3. Nikolee Trajcevski
4. Milijana Trsic
5. Sara Troutman
6. Candace Turcotte
7. Matthew Tylicko



QA : Why did you become a model?
: "When I was 13, my parents wanted to make me more of a lady, so I suggested modeling. On Saturdays, I would go to a class and learn to apply make-up, walk, and talk. Then, I started doing pageantry and talking to agents."

QA : What was your favorite memory from modeling?
: "I was at a shoot, and we were outside. I was wearing four-inch heels in a big mass of weeds and pipes. The photographer told me to walk along the pipes in my heels! All was fine and dandy until I slipped while walking and fell into the bushes."

QA : How did you stay in shape?
: "I watched what I ate and worked out to burn 300-500 calories everyday. I even had to invent new recipes for low calorie food. If models didn't fit a certain body type and size they would most likely not get the job."

QA : Why did you enjoy modeling?
: "Modeling gave me an inner fire, a sense of self, and an identity that is mine because I am loved for who I am."

: How long have you been singing or do you take singing lessons?

QA : I've been singing since before I knew how to talk. It's what I love to do. I've also been taking singing lessons for 3 years now from Rebecca Osbourne.

: What musical productions have you been in?

QA : I've been in Fiddler on the Roof, God Spell, and Hello Dolly.

: What's the hardest part about being a singer?

QA : I think that staying healthy and taking care of my vocal cords are the hardest parts.

: How many days a week do you spend singing or practicing?

QA : I have lessons once a week, but other than that I sing all the time unconsciously, such as in the shower, on the phone, or at the dinner table.

: When you are performing do you ever become nervous?

QA : I become nervous and get scared that I will forget the words. If this happens I take deep breaths and I don't think about it.

: What's your favorite part about singing and performing?

QA : I love the thrill it gives you while performing, the feeling of accomplishments.

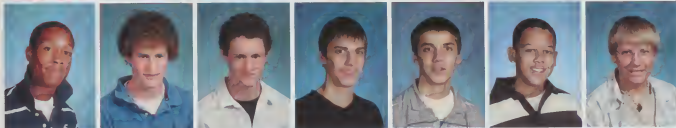




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3. Zachary Vetter
4. Alexis Villarreal
5. Michelle Wacnik
6. Scarlett Walden
7. Jessica Walters



1. Jared Walton
2. John Ward
3. Neal Ward
4. Lucas Wasserott
5. Michael Wasserott
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2. Bethany Wendt
3. Andrew Wister
4. Nathan Wigmore
5. Austin Wilbourn
6. Danielle Wilkening
7. Margaret Wilson



1. Jacob Wing
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4. Joseph Wolter
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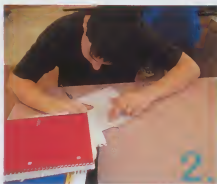
1. Matthew Zurbruggen

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Scene 1: Taking an opportunity to read through a note during A lunch, Brandon Halsey shares it with his friend Brandon Mabinto. "I liked high school better because we had way more freedom," Brandon said.

Scene 2: In the cafeteria at one of the long tables, Jon Blaszczyk finishes his English 9R assignment. "I did not like high school because they gave out way too much homework," Jon said.



Scene 3: During E-lunch, Mike Boyd and Andrew Dorsey hurry to eat their food after waiting in line for 10 minutes. "The lunches at the high school were so much better than they were at Taft," Andrew said after biting into one of the school's Bosco sticks.

Scene 4: To double check her locker, Jennifer Ferguson makes sure she has everything for Spanish class. "I went to my locker after 1st, 3rd, 4th, and 6th periods, which took up most of my passing periods," Jennifer said.



>>officers<<



President

"Being in Student Council allowed me to make a difference and lead my peers."

Sammy Vercellino



Vice President

"I thought it would be fun to be involved and help out the school."

Needa Malik



Treasurer

"Student Council changed me into an upstanding citizen."

Blake Zolfo



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"I loved being on Student Council and helping the school."

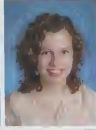
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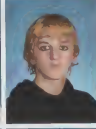
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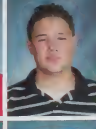
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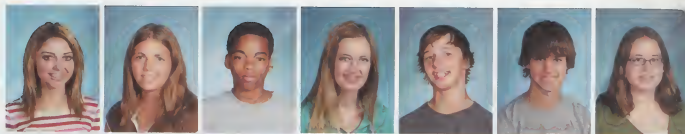


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5. Lorissa Cadeux
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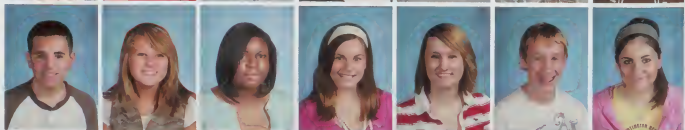
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6. Christine Dunbar
7. Alyx Durachta



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2. Kaytlyn Dwyer
3. Ammy Easto
4. Joseph Edgington
5. Stephanie Edwards
6. Benjamin Egelske
7. Eric Ellis



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3. Andrew Facemyer
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2. Jennifer Ferguson
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6. Allen Fisher
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1. Jessica Fiske
2. Justin Flanery
3. Edgar Flores
4. Jessica Fornof
5. Erica Fritsch
6. Matthew Froedde
7. Brittany Fry



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2. Juli Fuqua
3. Christopher Furmanski
4. Stephanie Fusner
5. Mae Gaoat
6. Veronica Gardner
7. Cassie Garrard



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Shabbie Hesser

QA : What made you join paint balling?
: "My dad and cousins played and they got me into the sport. Paint ball was a major part of my life."

QA : What type of competitions had you competed in? Where?
: "I competed in local and national tournaments. Locally, I played at the Bandlandz in Crete, IL. I had also played in Chicago and Florida in national competitions."

QA : Did you have a team sponsor?
: "I had an individual sponsorship with Badlandz and Bad Boyztoyz."

QA : What type of equipment did you use?
: "I used an '05 Proto Matrix. You absolutely had to wear a mask. But I took it one step further and wore a jersey, arm and knee pads, and cleats to get better traction."

QA : Have you ever been hurt during a match or competition?
: "I had never actually been hurt, but I did get welts from being shot. For beginners in the sport, being shot hurts, but after playing for so long you get used to it."

QA : What made you interested in hunting?
: "My family had always hunted, so I decided to try it. I have been hunting ever since I was five."

QA : Where do you hunt at?
: "We own about 150 acres of land around my house. There we set up fake deer and tree stumps to practice on. We also traveled around the area trying different places."

QA : Had you ever been involved in any hunting competitions? If so, what kind? Did you win any prizes or place?
: "I had been in Blythe's largest deer competition. I didn't place, but did win a bow and arrow, along with some clothing, for my participation."

QA : What type of equipment did you use?
: "I wore camo and anything other clothing that helped me blend in with my surroundings."

QA : What kind of animals did you hunt?
: "I had only hunted deer, but I would have loved to try hunting elk, moose, or even bear."



Photo courtesy of Cassie Garrard

Cassie Garrard

with Larry Konowalik (11)



1. Samantha Gasaway
2. Mathew Georgion
3. Jacob Gerken
4. Alicia Gibbs
5. Danielle Giglio
6. Joshua Glass
7. Rachael Goffin



1. Tabatha Gonsowski
2. Ryan Gonzalez
3. Jason Good
4. Darian Goodlander
5. Dylan Gora
6. Quinney Goranovich
7. Ashley Gose



1. Sonia Grabowski
2. Sarah Grace
3. Constantino Grantsaris
4. Mark Graves
5. John Green
6. Justin Gresham
7. Jonathan Greslo



1. Jeri Grevis
2. Lucas Groff
3. Christian Gruenhausen
4. Hannah Gurney
5. Jessica Gutzwiler
6. Grace Gyre
7. Timothy Hagen



1. Myles Hagle
2. Brandon Halsey
3. Katherine Hamende
4. Erin Haney
5. Sara Haniford
6. John Hannon
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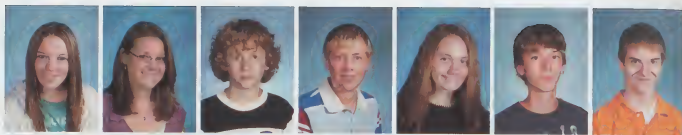


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6. Jennifer Jacques
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3. David Jakubowski
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5. James James
6. Marcea James
7. Leif Jansson



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3. Jeremy Joseph
4. Daniel Julius
5. Tyler Junktens
6. Johnathan Kabella
7. Brandi Kafantaris



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2. Steven Kajmakoski
3. Justin Kaplan
4. George Karas
5. Tyler Kasperan
6. Conrad Kats, IV
7. Amanda Keck



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2. Ashley Kennedy
3. Kimberly Kennedy
4. Michael Kessler
5. Sama Khan
6. Adam King
7. Christopher Klein



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4. Katrina Klingberg
5. Sherry Knura
6. Corinne Kocher
7. Samantha Kollak





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4. Katrina Kuiper
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6. Ashley Kutemeier
7. Eli Kvachkoff IV



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2. Robert Ladendorf
3. Michael Lagestee
4. Megan Lair
5. Allison Lamparski
6. Beau LaSalle
7. Michael Laus



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6. Jeffrey Limbaugh
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6. Elena Martinoska
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4. Alexandra Mauger
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6. Rachel Mauger
7. Casey May

generally speaking



Scott
Donley

relationships in general

"I recommended relationships in high school because they lead to a strong and faithful marriage in the future."

life in general

"Life is complicated and exciting all at the same time. Life could throw you challenges and it is your job to overcome them."



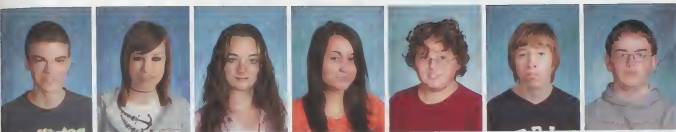
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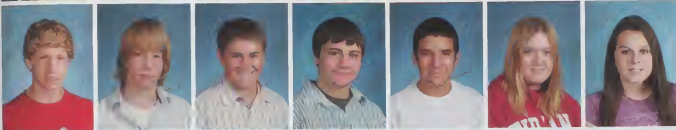
Lydia J.
Randolph

school in general

"School got you ready for the real world. High school prepared you for college, which prepared you for the working career. You pretty much needed them to be successful."



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3. Laura McCasland
4. Alexandria McClanahan
5. Joseph McColley
6. Patrick McCoy
7. Zackary McGann



1. Ben McGarr
2. Kevin McGrath
3. Hunter McKee
4. Ronald McMullin
5. Patrick McNamara
6. Brittany McVey
7. Jennelle Melendy



1. Winter Meneses
2. Alexander Menn
3. Reece Merritt
4. Stephanie Michalik
5. Ashley Miller
6. Katelyn Miller
7. Michael Miller



1. Ashlynn Mirabella
2. Tuba Mirza
3. Daniel Misch
4. John Mitchell
5. Emilija Mitreska
6. Melissa Monix
7. Christopher Morrison



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2. Zachery Murr
3. Marcus Myers
4. Salam Nammam
5. Abbie Nance
6. Justin Nance
7. Nicolas Nastali



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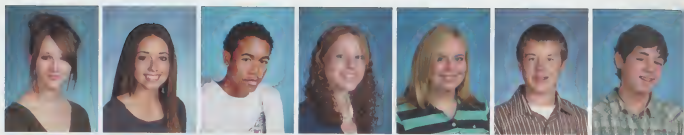


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7. Alexander Parrish



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6. Steven Perillo
7. Taylor Perry



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2. Alexander Petrovski
3. Elizabeth Phillips
4. Tess Pickett
5. Ksenia Pilarski
6. Lisa Psoowicz
7. Theodore Plants



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2. Nicholas Polissan
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4. Jonathan Poulosen
5. Matthew Preslar
6. Bradley Pussteri
7. Chnstopher Quinn



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3. Lydia Randolph
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6. Scott Rogers
7. Ashley Romano



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6. Lindsey Rusher
7. Scott Rykovich





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7. Amanda Savell



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7. Bradley Schmidt



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6. Alexander Segura
7. Christine Selvey



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6. Gabrielle Shea
7. Deanna Shearer



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2. Chris Shellenberger
3. Christopher Shimley
4. Adam Simko
5. Rose Sims
6. Dylan Skalka
7. George Slate



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7. Matthew Smith



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4. Christina Sotelo
5. Jovan Sotirski
6. Dustin Soy
7. Kristin Sparenborg



1. Ashley Spargo
2. Allison Springman
3. Andrew Spurling
4. Wyatt Squires
5. Brianna Stutzak
6. Daniel Stegall
7. Sarah Steuer

friends forever and ever

Strong and loving bonds between friends creates long-lasting friendship between three freshmen

Since seventh grade Ellen Campbell, Mike Laus and Jessica Fornof built a strong friendship. They have been best friends with each other over the years.

"Mike came up to me one day in the hall and told me he wanted to be friends, so ever since then we were," Ellen said.

Jessica met Ellen in Mrs. Bradford's choir class during seventh grade one day. Afterwards, they started talking to each other for awhile and the friendship blossomed from that point.

During their free time, they liked to hang out at each others' houses. Jessica and Ellen spend most of their time together participating in mixed, show, and intermediate choirs. They practiced singing together to get ready for ISSMA, which is a state choir competition. Also, they played tennis together.



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1. Brandi Stevens
2. Daniel Stevens
3. Lauren Stokoski
4. Dustin Stover
5. Steven Strong
6. Nikola Sunajac
7. Amanda Suto



1. Jamie Sutton
2. Caleb Swindle
3. Jelon Swope
4. Elizabeth Szymanski
5. Jacob Tasher
6. Nicole Testom
7. Jaime Teske



1. Grace Thomas
2. Jennifer Thompson
3. Tyler Thompson
4. Megan Tobias
5. Hanna Tokoly
6. Kevin Topp
7. Ashley Torres



1. Natasa Trajanoska
2. Cadylynn Troupe
3. Jonathan Tschopp
4. Jessica Tyliski
5. Lauren Unger
6. Madelyn Uidowski
7. Mary Allison VanClee





1. Stacy Vandergriff
2. Thomas Vanderplough
3. Jessica VanGilder
4. Jessica Vargas
5. Cassandra Vasos
6. Kaitlin Vass
7. Brett Veenstra

1. Nicole Vega
2. Ashley Veljo
3. Jonathan Venegas
4. Justin Verbeek
5. Samantha Vercellino
6. Tawny Viater
7. Chelsea Viers

1. Alexander Villa
2. Leonel Villa
3. Ashley Villarreal
4. Victoria Vingua
5. John Vlassopoulos
6. Lindsey Volk
7. Lindsey Wacnik

1. Matthew Wagner
2. Lindsey Waga
3. Jonathan Waspi
4. Nicole Way
5. Kan Wayman
6. Richard Wayne
7. Haley Webb

1. Adam Weissbradley
2. Tori Welker
3. Kimberly Wells
4. Werners
5. Brenna West Jacob
6. Lucas Wheeler
7. Jacob White

1. Kaitlyn Whiting
2. Kely Whider
3. Cody Willbourn
4. James Williams
5. Matthew Williams
6. Michael Williams
7. Kristen Wissel

1. Stephanie Witt
2. Teddy Wnorowski
3. Timothy Wolak
4. Charles Wood
5. Ashley Young
6. Alicia Zaberdc
7. Brandon Zakutansky

1. Nicholas Zdanowicz
2. Philip Zobel
3. Blake Zolio



Ms. Christy Steiger

QA

: Did you sew professionally or as a hobby?

: "I did both. Professionally, I owned a business called Meadowbrook Bridal where I designed and sewed gowns for weddings and proms. Then, I started costuming stage productions - mainly full length ballets such as *Cinderella* and *The Nutcracker*. Indiana Ballet Theatre NW still uses the costumes at this time."

QA

: What were some interesting projects that you have completed?

: "My favorite was a silver lame prom gown that she (the student) wanted to look like a seashell. I even made her gloves and her date's bow tie and cummerbund. That was creative and fun."

QA

: Didn't you have another type of career before you became a teacher?

: "You must be asking about my years as an architectural drafter. My original Bachelor's degree was in interior design from Penn State. I drew and designed foundations for steel mills for almost 7 years. I have also been an art teacher here at CPHS."

QA

: Why did you decide to only teach English and not art?

: "I quit teaching art when one of my students glued his unsuspecting friend to a stool with rubber cement."

QA

: What made you want to be involved with this school?

: "The seriousness. I didn't want to go to a school that was not serious about teaching."

QA

: How did it feel to be a new teacher?

: "It was weird at first. I didn't look at myself as a higher authority; just someone to help. At the beginning of the day, I felt I had done nothing, but at the end of the day, I felt I had done something great and accomplished something important."

QA

: What methods did you use to make learning more fun and enjoyable?

: "Marker boards and illustrative activities. I would put a sound track on and act to it."

QA

: Why did you choose to become a teacher?

: "To help people understand. A lot of people try to persuade others through words. I felt I could do two things; I could persuade people by being an example, and I could teach curriculum that goes with my culture. I felt Spanish was important and understanding the culture was too."



Mr. Michael Gonzalez

Photos by Brittany Kammeyer



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Tennis Club Sponsor
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Clarksville School of Theology (B.S. M.A.)
3. Carol Bangeberg-Special Needs (B.S. Wisconsin at
Eau Claire, B.A.)
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B.A., M.A.T.S.
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Tennis Coach



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M.S.
5. Mark Croell-Social Studies, Wabash College &
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State & Indiana Univ., B.S., M.S., English Dept. Chair
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6. Miguel Delgado-Coordinator



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2. Anne Domasica-English, Saint Joseph, B.A., Girls
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Illinois & Roseville, B.S., M.M., Show, A capella,
Musical & Women's Choir Director



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State, B.S.
2. Liz Harlow-Special Needs, Ball State & Indiana
State, B.S., M.S., Peer Tutoring Specialist
3. Marianne Harmon-Special Needs, Adel
4. David Hermit-English, Univ. of Maryland &
Chapman, B.S., M.A., Freshman Football Coach
5. Candie Hefen-Math, Butler College, B.A., JV, Softball
Coach
6. Stephanie Hubbard-Special Needs, Eastern Illinois,
B.S., M.S., Special Olympics Coach

Promotion



Mrs. Deb Cuffia

"Although the time demands are similar, being an assistant principal involves working with students and programs in a different way. I enjoy the opportunity to voice new goals and challenges."

Promoted to
High School Assistant Principal



Photo by Katie Walker

Mrs. Deb Cuffia

"To be named department chair was indeed an honor. However, I knew I had big shoes to fill and much to learn."

Promoted to
English Department Chair

.....Administration.....



Photo submitted by Art Equihua

Mr. Ryan Pitcock

"I was reluctant at first because I didn't want to leave the high school, but I thought it would be a great opportunity to work with kids and reach them at a younger age."

Promoted to
Assistant Principal of Timothy
Ball Elementary school



Photo by Nathan Shockey

Mr. Ryan Pitcock

"I was pleased and surprised to be named. It was an honor to be the Regional Representative, but to win State was beyond my expectations."

Awarded
Indiana State Principal of the Year

.....Recognition.....



1. Kathryn Hulse - Counsel & School Development
Caban College & Florida Institute, B.A., M.S., PsyD
2. Randy Hutchinson - Math - DePaul and Purdue
Calumet, B.A., M.A.
3. Keith Iddings - Math, Driver's Ed. - Northern
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Jerry Caravana

Athletic Director retires after forty years

"I'll never forget how fortunate I have been in having an association with the students and faculty at CHS," Athletic Director Jerry Caravana said while reflecting on his past forty years.

At the beginning of the year Mr. Caravana announced his retirement after spending his career teaching business law and management and serving as the athletic director.

"It's like anything else, Caravana said. I've been here for forty years. It was time to retire."

In his career, Mr. Caravana lived through many changes at the school. Although the buildings have changed, he claims the students have not.

"I've found that the kids don't change. Students have the same desires and aspirations as they did forty years ago. The only thing that has changed is their toys," Mr. Caravana said.

Mr. Mike Malaski (English), who was appointed Athletic Director next year, said he will be missed greatly.

"Mr. Caravana was a great athletic director, and he has made an important impact on Crown Point High School. He will always be remembered as a great man," Mr. Malaski said.



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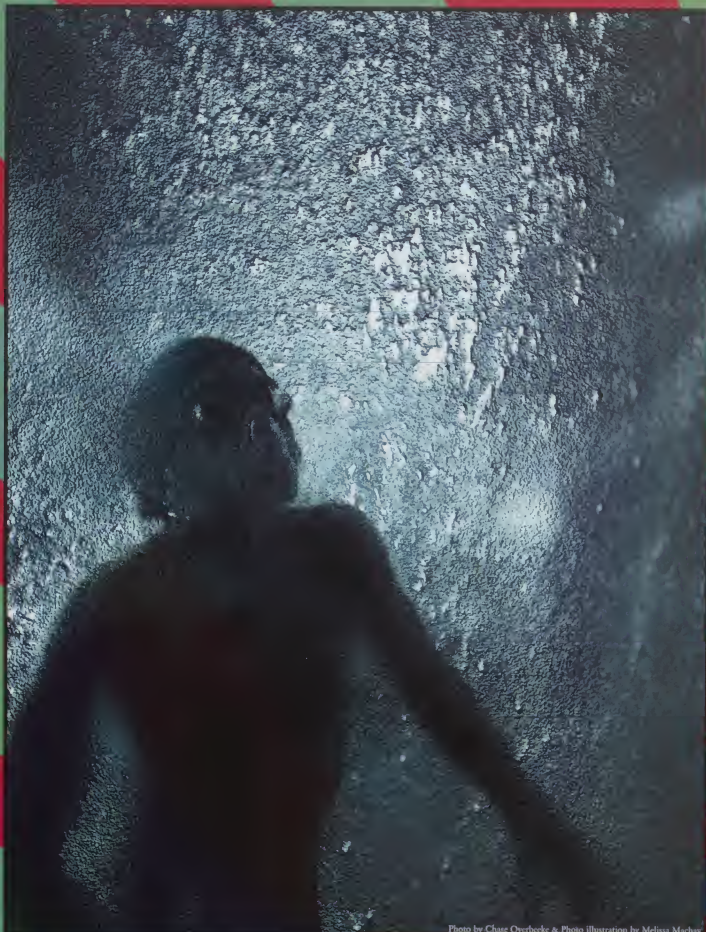


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Team 15th (State): Prior to winter break, Josh McCollum (12) swims the breast stroke at a Wednesday afternoon

practice. The team usually swam a set of fast laps first followed by a slower-paced set. "We practiced everyday before

and after school. It was a rigorous schedule, but I loved every minute of it. Since we were seniors, it was even better because

all of the underclassmen respected us," Josh said. The team won 3rd at sectionals and placed 3rd in the DAC.

stats

by Nicole Akey and Melissa Morrison

Statistics, averages, personal records, and wins versus losses predicted the success of each team. These numbers were extremely valued; they calculated the accomplishments and the faults of the entire team and each individual member.

The pressure to achieve high scores and averages stressed many athletes.

"Sometimes, it didn't matter if we won a game or not," senior Mike Kmiec said. "If we played badly but still won the game, we were punished during practice. Every member of the team had to work as hard as they could."

However, these statistics also translated into success.

For example, the varsity football team advanced to regionals with an undefeated record, but lost to LaPorte 21-28.

Also in the fall, for the first time in eight years, the girls' cross country team claimed the sectional title. In addition, the varsity

boys' tennis team sent senior doubles partners Nick Maddalone and Alex Tsikouris down state where they took first in the at regionals and advanced to the state competition, and on the green, senior golf player Terra Miller won third in state, a personal best.

During the winter, the boys' hockey team tied a game one weekend in the final competition, then pushed through and won state the following weekend in Indianapolis. For the girls' gymnastics team, senior Martina Buchholz earned the sectional all around runner up and regional runner up title on the balance beam. Her scores helped the team finish the regional competition with a record-breaking score of 109.925.

In the spring, the boys' varsity baseball team earned a first place state ranking from the Indiana High School Baseball Coaches Association.



10-2 (Team Record): Jeremy Pogorzelski (10), an athlete in varsity wrestling, braces himself for his second round of the wrestling match against his Merrillville opponent.



Team 3rd (Sectionals): While practicing before competing against Lake Central's gymnastics team, Martina Buchholz (12) climbs on the uneven bars to loosen up.



2 points: During a Special Olympics Basketball game against Lowell, Rob Thurman (12) performs a victory dance after shooting a basket and making two points.



Number 20: With her coach beside her, Brittany Clements (12) catches her breath as she waits until she is called into the Hebron versus Crown Point basketball game.

varsity team maintains undefeated season, captures sectional win, takes duneland conference

By Brittany Kaminsky and Milijana Irtis

Fans sat on the edges of their seats biting their nails with turning stomachs as they watched in horror at what almost ended up as the final game of the season.

With Portage leading 7-0 and only one quarter to go, the players found themselves in new, unfamiliar territory.

"When it got into the fourth quarter and we hadn't scored, I was worried, but I knew we would find a way to win," senior Ryan Forney said.

Amazingly, breaking six tackles in 43 yards, senior Jon Serich scored the first touchdown of the fourth quarter making way for sophomore Mike Lipton to score a field goal and tie the game.

"Scoring the first touchdown was indescribable; I felt like I was on cloud nine," Jon said.

A sudden change of facial expressions overcame the crowd as Mr. Mike Malaski (English) announced the game's extension

into overtime.

Portage, up first, scored a touchdown earning a kick, which happened to bounce off the goal post.

Finally, as the bright lights shined down onto the field, Ryan Forney attempted Coach Croell's favorite trick play. "I wasn't nervous. I was more confident we'd find a way to win," Ryan said.

Mike Lipton then stepped up to kick a field goal that would ultimately lead to a victory.

"I knew that it would come down to a game winning kick. I knew I had to get the job done," Mike said.

The varsity football players, as DAC and sectional champs, pulled through in one of the closest sectional games.

"I had to stand there and take it all in. Senior year... you never know if you'll get to experience that again. There's nothing like high school football," Ryan said.



Photo by Milijana Irtis



Photo by Milijana Irtis



Photo by Danny Kraus

Scoreboard

Lowell	17-0	Chesterton	41-21
Hobart	34-23	Michigan City	20-7
Merrillville	17-2	Lake Central (sect)	49-0
Lake Central	31-14	Portage (sect)	14-13
Valparaiso	35-21	Merrillville (sect)	28-7
LaPorte	42-41	LaPorte (regional)	21-28

Record 10-0
DAC: 2-0
Sectionals: 1st
Regionals: 2nd



Dan Byrd

>>During the second home game of the year, Dan Byrd (12) watches his teammates at the first Lake Central game on the sidelines. "To prepare for a game, I focused on that and only that for the whole day," Dan said. "But when I stepped out onto the field, it was the best feeling in the world."

>>One. Junior Nick Hladek (11) positions himself in a three-point stance and prepares for the upcoming play "I was excited because it was my first sectional start. Going undefeated in the regular season didn't affect sectionals because everyone started out with a clean slate," Nick said.

>>Two. Andrew Krumwied (12) and the rest of the football team gather around Mike Damjanovic (12) as he holds the Leather Helmet trophy. During the game against Lowell, for the second time in a row, the team was awarded this trophy signifying that the two were the oldest rivals in the state of Indiana.

>>>One. Facing off against a tough Merrillville defense, the offensive line, Andrew Krumwied (12), Kurt Warmers (11) and Matt Polus (11) prepare for the third and final sectional game. "Our goal was to win sectionals, and I was excited that it just so happened that we got to play Merrillville," Kurt said. The boys won against the Pirates 28-7.



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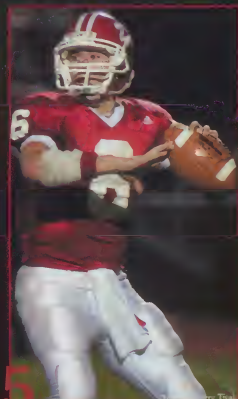


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>>>One. After catching the ball, wide receiver Ryan Forney (12), who ran 1062 all-purpose yards, sprints toward the end zone. "When I was running, I could get nervous, but after the first play, it all went away," Ryan said.

>>>Two. Anthony Stahl (11) and the rest of the offensive line work to protect the punter from Lake Central's defense. Stahl completed 48 tackles throughout the season. "The team that blocked or tackled the best always had a great advantage and most likely won the game," Anthony said.

>>>Three. As a running back, Tommy Parks (12) pushes through the defensive line as Joe Baker (11) and Evan Nikrin (10) block to accomplish the play. "Evan and I

were doing our best to get all six Lake Central Players off of Tommy so he could have a big run," Joe said.

>>>Four. Against the Trojans, Tommy Parks (12) tries to escape his defender's clutches. "All the seniors were excited because it was our last Homecoming game," he said. Tommy scored a total of eight season touchdowns.

>>>Five. Quarterback Blake Mascarello (11) prepares to pass the ball to one of his teammates during the Homecoming game. "I tried to stay relaxed. For my position, it was not good to get too excited," Blake said. Blake completed 133 passes.

>>One. In a traditional salute, the freshmen raise their helmets directing their spirit and support to the players on the field. "The biggest difference this year as a freshman was the intensity on the field," Ben Cottrell (9) said. The freshman team ended their season with a 7-2 record.

>>Two. To prevent damage to the new field, the freshman team plays Lake Central at the old high school stadium. "It was a great feeling because a lot of great games were played there," Beau LaSalle (9) said. The freshman team defeated Lake Central by **one** touchdown.



Photo by Nicole Chronney

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Photo by Nicole Chronney

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Photo by Larry Titak

>>Three. Russell Chick (41) breaks away from Valley defenders as Tom Cooke (10) blocks for his teammate. "It isn't really great to get out on the field again," Chick said, in their match up the junior varsity shut out Midway 27-0.

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>>Four. To set up Logan Brown's (11) field goal kick, Danny Osiojnicki (10) leads the ball. "I took pride in my kicks. I tried to make myself better with every kick," Logan said. All of his season kicks landed within the 10-yard line.

Photo by Larry Titak

running through obstacles, injuries, tackling changes, junior varsity maintains undefeated season

By Nicole Chromey

"I blacked out, I didn't remember anything from that game," junior Scott Rutherford said. His intention of defending against the Hobart Brickies played out differently than he planned.

"I went to block a punt and got kicked in the throat," he said. "I went to the sideline, hyperventilated and collapsed."

As Scott lay on the ground unconscious, half-time approached along with an ambulance. After he arrived at the hospital, he waited through x-rays and test results.

"I had fluid in the soft tissue of my neck, bruises on my tract, and compressed blood vessels which caused me to black out in the first place," he said.

A week after the hospital visit, Scott warmed the bench during practices.

However, for the next week's game, he appeared back on the field ready to conquer.

Injuries such as Scott's concerned the team, but they did not hurt the season. For the first time in a decade, the boys ended with an undefeated record.

"We put Marcus [quarterback] as receiver, and our quarterback from last year under center, then he threw the ball to Shrews, I rolled out and he threw it across the field to me," sophomore Nick Bruno said. "That was the first play of most of our games."

The freshman team experienced success as well and an unexpected addition to the team. Jack Munroe moved to Crown Point just in time to play football.

"I went the first day and got there 15 minutes late, so I was kind of

nervous," Jack said. "I didn't think I would really get to play that much, and I wanted to impress the coaches." However, he earned a starting position.

"He was a hard worker, and he definitely made a name for himself this year in CP athletics," Coach Rodriguez said.

With the uniting of Jack and the freshman team, they ended with a 7-2 record for the season.

Scoreboard

	JV	Fresh
Lowell	12-0	7-6
Hobart	14-12	20-8
Merrillville	27-7	36-0
Lake Central	7-0	20-7
Portage	21-7	22-13
Valparaiso	27-0	6-27
LaPorte	21-7	26-12
Chesterton	27-8	27-0
Michigan City	46-6	28-6

JV Record: 9-0

Freshman Record: 7-2



Photo by Lori Neilsen



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>>Two. Finding a way through his opponents. Nick Bruno (10) runs for a touchdown. "To be a good running back, Coach always said you had to find a gap and make people miss, and that was exactly what I would try to do," Nick said. Nick ended his season with **six** touchdowns.



Photo by Nicole Chromey

>>Three. With the other team play in place and waiting for the opposing wide receiver to make a move, Michael Kessler (9) takes a stance. "Interceptions made the games more fun," Michael said. He recorded **five** interceptions while playing defensive back on the team.



Billy Cox

>>Three. Head-to-head against a Valparaiso fullback. Billy Cox (11) fights for his territory as a defensive line backer. "I felt like we accomplished a lot during every game individually and as a team," Billy said. The defensive line recorded **14** sacks during their season.

despite new rivals, drastic weather girls' golf team sends one to state

By Kara McIver

It is three o'clock on a cold, grey afternoon and the girls' golf team gathers on the course, talking on cell phones and waiting for Coach Scott Vlink. They are comfortable with each other and obviously close, but the season was coming to an end.

The girls, bundled in sweat-shirts, decided they'd rather play a 'scramble' game instead of a round in the cold.

"In our first tournament, it was extremely hot and we had to adjust to the weather," junior Marissa Williams said.

However, by sectional and regional time, it was drastically colder.

They experienced other challenges across the board, not just the weather.

"We had to play in new tournaments, and we had different rivals; we never had to worry about Lake Central before," junior Kara

Ingelhart said.

At sectionals, the team finished second, and continued on to regionals.

"We had a productive season and we built up a strong team, and of course, Terra will be missed," Kara said.

Terra Miller, the team's only senior, qualified for the state competition for the fourth year in a row and finished, for the first time, in third place.

"As a senior, I took more time during the season to really enjoy it," Terra said. "I was really proud to qualify for the second day of the state competition."

Even with new team members the girls managed to bond.

"Everybody was friends and it was a great group of girls to play with for a few months," junior Nicci Brown said. "We were always consistent and had a great attitude."



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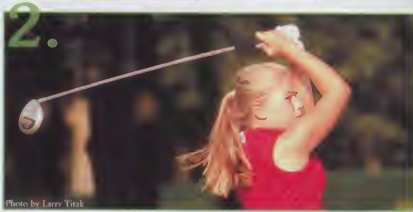


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Scoreboard

Portage 181-190
LaPorte 196-252
Valparaiso 196-162
Chesterton 189-186
Michigan City 183-217

Munster 185-196
Andrean 182-250
Merrillville 198-286
Lake Central 182-200

Record: 7-2
DAC: 7-2
Sectionals: 2nd
Regionals: 7th



Photo by Kara McIver

Placing third in state, senior Terra Miller said, "I hoped the other girls looked up to me as someone who was always there for them and was always willing to help them. I loved all the girls on the team, and I will miss them very much next year."

Terra Miller

>>**One.** After a smashing drive on the eighth hole, Junior Marissa Williams watches her ball fly through the air. "We changed the varsity line-up a lot this year. We almost never knew who would be playing in the number five spot." Not surprisingly, the weather played an important factor for golf matches. "When the weather was hot, no one played well," Marissa said. "Learning to adjust to weather was one of the biggest issues."

>>**Two.** In the middle of her swing, Meredith Malczewski (11) demonstrates the basic golf fundamentals by bending her knees, rotating her hips and keeping her head level. "I played music in my head when I played golf. It was always something really upbeat like Britney Spears," Meredith said. Meredith played in the team's fourth spot for every meet, except for one, in which she played in the team's third spot.

>>One. On a sunny day in August, Meredith Makczewski (11) and Kara Ingehart (11) walk down the fairway to their next hole. "There were eight girls all going for the same number five spot. We changed the line-up a lot," Kara said. The girls finished **second** in conference and **seventh** in sectionals.



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>>Two. At a Youchee Country Club meet, Mary Haynes (11) follows her drive. Haynes played on the team for **three** years and said she enjoyed it because of the people she met. "It was fun to play a sport you liked, especially when you could play with other people who enjoyed it also." Long golf practices were never an issue for the team members according to Mary. "The girls on the team were always fun to talk to, and it was a great way to socialize," she said.

>>Three. While visualizing her next shot, Lauren Bryner (10) develops her plan of attack. "I tried to think about happy and calm thoughts to make sure I didn't get mad at myself and mess up," Lauren said. She occasionally filled in on the team's rotating **fifth** spot.

>>Four. During her follow through, Laura Dexter (9) watches her drive fly toward the flag. "I played junior varsity on both the soccer and the golf teams, so it was hard but fun," she said. "My favorite match was the first time I scored a **fifty** on nine holes."

>>Five. Hoping to score at or close to par, Lauren Slosson (9) attempts to sink her putt. She played in the rotating **fifth** position on the team.

>>Six. Pleased with the direction and velocity of the ball, Karly Wasowski (11) holds her stance. Karly was new to the team and the school. "I knew what to expect since I played on the golf team at Penn High School," Karly said. Karly held the **second** highest spot on the team.



Photo by John Newberry

>>One. At Pheasant Valley playing Chesterton, Ryan Qualizza (10) reads the green. "My favorite memories from this season were during the bus rides," Ryan said. "Someone always had a highlight from the day that was pretty funny." Though the team lost **186-166** to Chesterton in the first game, the guys brought the score closer in their second match with the Trojans **176-164**.

>>Two. Early on in May, Matt Mishevich (10) hits a chip shot onto the green. Influence-wise, Matt said, "Will Theodoros was able to help me out a lot; he knew a lot about the game." At Palmira, Matt shot an **84** in the Lake Central Invitational.

>>Three. At the Chesterton match, which Crown Point lost by **20** points, Nico Drakulich (11) sets up to tee off. "I preferred away games as compared to Pheasant Valley," Nico said. "Our course has very poor conditions."

>>Four. Jayson Scheutz (12) tees off on the 18th hole. "The worst part about away matches was getting home really late from long drives," Jayson said. "But before the matches, I would prepare by putting and chipping for a few minutes and swing a few clubs before tee off." Jayson's score was a **92**.

>>Five. While listening to his iPod, Josh Black (11) putts off to the side of the green. "The hardest part about golf was forgetting about a bad round and just playing the next," Josh said. "I would, however, put my iPod on shuffle and just go with the music; that helped." At the KV Invite, the team stroke total was **354**, placing the team in **4th** place.

>>Six. Chipping out of the rough to get onto the green, Tyler Bowdish (9) watches his shot at Pheasant Valley in a match versus Chesterton. "Coach Kutemeier's advice was pretty much 'You know my expectations, and you know what you guys can do, so do it,'" Tyler said. Near the end of the season at the Lou Iaconetti Invitational, Crown Point's team stroke total was **356**.



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>>Nikola Nikola (10) gets ready to tee off on the last hole, but first he prepares by taking a practice swing. "I totally changed the grip on my putting," Nikola said. "I went from a regular grip to a lefty grip." Nikola's personal best score for the season was an average of **44**.

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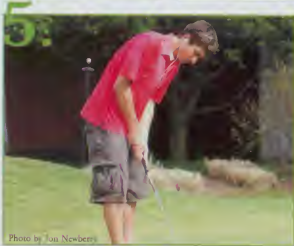
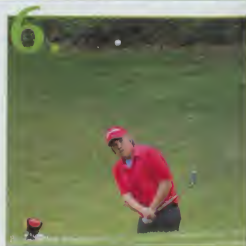


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boys' golf team makes the putt, place third in sectionals qualify for regionals

By Katie Weller

Sixteen members and two coaches; this was what the boys' golf team worked during the season. From freshman to seniors, drives, sinks and putts, golf proved to be more than a mental game. Every aspect counted, whether it was course conditions, trying to improve a score, or maintaining the lead.

"Every game in golf was equally difficult," junior Nico Drakulich said. "It was all a state of mind."

"We began practicing in April for the spring season," senior Will Theodoros said. "We would play nine holes at Pheasant Valley, which was our home course."

Other courses included Palmira, Michigan City and Highland.

"Palmira was the hardest because of course management," junior Ryan Levin said. "Michigan City was the easiest because it was an easier mind-set."

"My personal best was 42, but I could have done better," Ryan said.

"Mine was 40, but there was always room for improvement," Nico said.

Improving also meant help from many people.

"My dad really helped me out a lot; yet, I never really felt that you had to be brought up in the game of golf to enjoy it. You could learn to love it."

Theodoros, the team's number one player with an average of 38, was on the team for four years.

"Will has been a good leader," head coach Del Kutemeier said. "He is a good person and great team player."

As for the underclassmen looking up to the upperclassmen?

"The underclassmen always look up to older team members- that's important," Kutemeier said. Sophomore Nikola Pusara agreed.

"Will helped me a lot in my technique and swing," Nikola said. "He critiqued me a lot."

The team placed third in the sectionals and qualified for regionals.

Scoreboard

Benton Central	184-179	Hobart	362-407	Lake Central Invite	6th Place 356
Rensselaer	184-202	N. Newton	362 (Forfeit)	Michigan City	176-162
N. Judson	184-229	KV Invite	4th Place 354	Merrillville	176-197
Boone Grove	191-176	Valparaiso	192-150	Hanover Central	174-179
Munster	191-183	Portage	192-173	Lowell	174-172
S. Newton	193-193	Chesterton	176-164	Chesterton	186-166
Andean	193-183	Rensselaer Invite	7th Place 371	LaPorte	186-174
Lowell	362-343	Lake Central	182-165	N. Newton	176-204
Marquette	362-351	LaPorte	182-187	Record:	12-17
Highland	362-402	Michigan City	174-143	DAC:	6th
Merrillville (DQ)	174	Portage	162-166	Sectionals:	3rd
Valparaiso	162-151	Lake Central	178-156		



>>One. Will Theodoros (12) and assistant coach Pat Hedge discuss the turn of events after a meet versus Chesterton. Will said that Chesterton was the toughest game he played. "The course is so hard," Will said. "Will's best score was an average of 38."
>>Two. Starting the first of 18 holes, Will tees off to begin the game. "It was bittersweet knowing that this was my last year playing golf for the high school," Will said. "I loved playing with the guys." At the DAC invitational Will shot an 86.

Will Theodoros

sidelined, on field, at sleep overs soccer girls create long-lasting memories

By Olivia Abbott

Considering Coach Mike Malaski's stringent routines during practices, surprisingly, the girls reported that they seldom ever even thought about giving up. With a winning record and an abundance of team spirit, the girls brought home a winning record.

"It was like a fist fight on the field; you had to be ready every game," junior Megan Tasher said.

To get ready, the team conditioned using some unusual techniques. For example, they ran suicide drills timed to recorded beeps and ran back and forth down the field.

"The beep test was my favorite; you'd run until you couldn't 'beat the beep,'" Tasher said.

Concerning the NIPSCO box, they had a funny saying about that drill. As a form of "attitude or language" correction, the girls were required to move as quickly as possible to the NIPSCO box located past the baseball field and near the woods.

"If you let your lips go, you'd run a NIPSCO. I know it

sounds silly, but it really worked!" Tasher said.

Although the girls would not miss the suicide drills, they related the aspects of the season they would miss.

"The bonding! We had the best times- like the bus rides, workouts in the muddy rain..." senior Ashley Dobbins said.

"Don't forget the sleep overs!" cut-in junior Natalie Spork.

"We loved every second of it," added sophomore Brooke Hruby.

The girls looked around at one another with exhausted pride on their last sectional game. It was 2-0 overtime and Lake Central had the lead. Unfortunately, time ran out and the girls lost.

"It was such a gruesome game and we played our hearts out," Tasher said. "It was a really big game, it was tough," sophomore Alex Firchau said.

The game being Dobbins' last, brought her much sadness.

"I was a soccer player for 11 years, and now I was not a soccer player anymore," she said.

>>One. Down the field in a slow dribble. Rachel Eberly (12) concentrates looking for an open team mate during the game with Michigan City. Rachel ended the season with **16** goals and **10** assists.

>>Two. While being pursued by an opponent, Amanda McCormick (12) steals the ball. Amanda made **three** goals during the season.

>>Three. As a team leader with **23** goals, offensive player Ashley Collins (11) kicks her way through the opposition toward the goal for one more point. Ashley also held the record for assists with **22**.

>>Four. Goalie Alex Firchau (10) kicks the ball into play after one of her saves. She prevented **59** goals throughout the season making her the leader in saves. "I loved being a goalie; it was so exciting," Firchau said.



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Photo by Larry Titik

Brooke Hruby

>>Using her unique way to throw the ball into play, Brooke Hruby (10) prepares for her famous 'Flip-Throw'. "I was not really sure how I came up with it. It gave me a lot more opportunities to score, so there's a point to it," Hruby said



Photo by Jon Newberry



Photo by Larry Titik



Photo by Larry Titik

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>>One. Ready for a shot on goal, Melisa Spisak (11) leans back for momentum. Since Melissa was injured mid season she only made **two** assists. "It stunk getting injured, but the team was there for me," she said.

>>Two. Stopper Leah Egofske (12) dribbles the ball at the Michigan City game. "Everyone played hard to win," Leah said. The girls won **6-0**

>>Three. In a team huddle before the LaPorte game, Alex Firschau (10), Flon Garcia (10), Amanda McCormick (12), Brooke Hruby (10), Melissa Tucker (11), Ashley Morfin (10), Ashley Collins (11), and Megan Tasher (11) discuss strategy. The girls shut out LaPorte **5-0**.



Scoreboard

Michigan City	6-0
Valparaiso	1-3
Merrillville	4-0
Chesterton	1-5
Highland	1-1
Andean	2-3

LaPorte	5-0
Lowell	7-2
Hobart	2-0
Pike	4-3
Griffith	6-0
Elkhart Memorial	6-0
Morton	9-0
Lake Central	3-3

Record: 10-5-1
DAC: 3-4
Goals: 60

>>One. In the middle of the field, Kacie Ford (16), Rachel Nowak (10), Courtney Harth (10), Elizabeth Phillips (9), and Kara Gulvas (10) come together to form a team huddle. "Practices were a lot of fun and helped us come together as a team," Kacie said. Practices began in the summer before school started, and then during the season, they took place everyday after school. Practices consisted of conditioning drills and weight training. The team members attributed a combined total of 14 wins to following their coach's directions.

>>Two. Haley Smith (9) dribbles the ball up the field to break away from her trailing Merrillville Pirates defender in hopes of scoring a goal. Merrillville did not present a challenge for the girls, they won 8-0. "The JV team was a blast to be on because we shared memorable moments during the season," Haley said. The JV's offense worked together to score 91 goals throughout their entire season.



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>>Three. On the offense, Rachel Nowak (10) slides in for a pass to her open teammates. "The bus rides were the best part of away games because we all got fired up for the game," Rachel said. During the season, the junior varsity team played nine of their total 16 games on the road.



Photo by Nicole Kestich

>>Four. In an attempt to stop the ball, Shelby Hester (9) uses her chest at the goal line. "When you played you worked your tail off and sometimes you wanted to quit, but all the hard work paid off in the end," Shelby said. Shelby was one of the seven freshmen who were given the opportunity to play on both teams.

dribbling toward high standards, younger teams make history, obtain winning record

By Sammy Vercellino

Scoreboard

	JV
Highland	9-0
Pike	0-0
Portage	1-0
Andrean	3-0
Lowell	9-0
LaPorte	7-0
Hobart	8-0
Chesterton	3-1
Griffith	7-0
Merrillville	8-0
Elkhart	7-0
Morton	10-0
Michigan City	8-0
Munster	2-1
Lake Central	7-0
Valparaiso	1-2

JV Record 14-1-1
Freshman Record 9-2-1

Intensity was in the air and the girls were ready to play. They had an undefeated title to defend, and they believed Munster would be a challenge.

"I love watching you win, and I hate watching them win," Coach Annie Domasica said to her girls before they stepped on the field to play the Munster Mustangs. Ms. Domasica was an alumni of Munster.

"We knew that they would be one of the hardest JV teams that we'd have to play, so every chance counted," sophomore Hannah Jaranowski said.

The game was all tied up until Munster struck first with a goal to take the lead. "It made me feel a little disappointed, but it also gave me the courage to score a goal," sophomore Alexis Villareal said.

After half time ended, the girls tied the game up again.

"We'd had never trailed another team, so once we scored, it made everyone work harder to win after being behind," Hannah said.

With the momentum on their side, they quickly moved the ball up the field, and in a matter of minutes, they had taken the lead.

"It was never fun being down, but it was exciting because it gave us the opportunity to prove how good we were," Coach Domasica said.

The girls came out on top beating Munster with a score of 2-1; they ended their season only surrendering one loss to Valparaiso.

"This was one of the best teams I was part of because all of the girls had good attitudes as well as good characters," Coach Domasica said.

Coach Domasica's team was not the only team that had a successful season. The freshman team, coached by Coach Nicole Nowaczyk, also had a victorious season.



Photo by Cliff Abbott

>>One. Trying to prevent the opposing Lowell Red Devils' attacking players from breaking through the Bulldog defense, Elizabeth Phillips (9) dashes towards the ball. "Defense was my favorite position because I got to deny people from scoring," Elizabeth said. "When playing defense, I would always watch the ball instead of the attacking player. That way, they could not take me out and get around me to score," Elizabeth added. The girls shut out Lowell in the regular season game 9-0. There were two goal keepers and nine defenders on the junior varsity team whose responsibility was to keep the ball out of the back of the net.



Photo by Larry Tisk

>>Two. In hopes of scoring a goal, Annie Lambert (10) attempts to move the ball forward. "I liked home games the most because we didn't have to travel long distances and we had our fans there to cheer us on," Annie said. The JV team played a total of 7 home games. Before taking the field to warm-up at home games, the girls would relax in the cafeteria and finish homework.



Photo by Nicole

>>Three. Looking into the stands at the Lowell game, Corinne Kocher (9) searches for family and friends who came to cheer her on. "When I start feeling nervous, I would look for my parents in the stands to help calm me down," Corinne said. Corinne played in a combined total of 28 games because she played on both the junior varsity and freshmen teams.



Photo by Larry Tisk

Claire Bushemi

In deep concentration, Claire Bushemi (9) runs her Merrillville player and moves the ball up the field. "Before a game, I would always listen to my favorite song to pump myself up, I would always drink a lot of water before the game too and have a couple Mrs. Field's cookies to give me the extra boost," Claire said. Claire played defense on both the JV and freshmen teams. The JV defense gave up a total of 4 goals their whole season.

boys relate, embarrassing moments, during jv, freshman soccer season

By Marissa Feliciano

Players on the boys' soccer teams experienced some humorous and embarrassing moments in front of their fans.

Two players, juniors Jerry Hendrickson and Benjamin Friedman, both on varsity, simultaneously attempted to go after a loose ball both considered to be theirs.

The wind made it difficult to tell which direction the ball was headed, but Jerry, determined to go for a header, concentrated on the ball, unaware that his teammate had the same idea.

"I was very concentrated on the ball and didn't even see that my teammate was there. I thought he was an opponent," Jerry said.

Jerry was also too intent on the ball to hear Benjamin shout "Got it!"

"I was already into the air,

and I 'headed' Jerry's head and the ball," Friedman said.

"I fell on my back, and my head hit the ground. I was disoriented for about 20 seconds or so," Jerry said.

As for the JV team, sophomore Jason Ban experienced the joy of success and the pain of an embarrassing moment at the Rensselaer game. It seemed that Jason's extra amount of enthusiasm was not appreciated by officials.

"I was taken out of the game for taking my shirt off after scoring against Rensselaer," Jason said.

In another embarrassing situation, sophomore Jonathon Sergent simply found himself face down in a mud puddle.

"Everyone was trying to avoid the puddle, but I dove right into it," Jon said.



Scoreboard

Lowell	3-0	Hobart	3-0	Highland	0-0
Hanover Central	9-2	Michigan City	0-2	Lake Central	1-3
Chesterton	0-2	Portage	0-1		
Wheeler	2-1	Munster	0-3		
Boone Grove	1-0	Valparaiso	0-2		
Merrillville	1-4	LaPorte	2-3		
East Chicago Central	3-2	Rensselaer Central	9-0		

Varsity Record: 8-9-1

Sectionals: 1-1

JV Record: 6-6-3



>>Running to get in line for the beginning of the game against Hanover Central, Jerry Hendrickson (11) gets ready to do his best on the field. "Being on defense was great. We prevented other teams from scoring, and their goals against us were the lowest in many years," Jerry said. Crown Point won against Hanover Central 9-2.

Jerry Hendrickson

>>One. Concentrating on the ball and getting ready for his corner kick against a strong Merrillville opponent, Silvester Lomeli (9), one of the only two freshmen on the varsity team, runs towards the ball hoping to make a successful pass to another member of his team "Soccer had been my best sport since I was three years old. My most memorable game was when I scored my first goal. I was only 13 years old at the time," Silvester said. The varsity team lost the game to the Merrillville Pirates 1-4.

>>Two. Shooting on goal, varsity player James Stenowski (10) aims at Hanover Central's net. James missed the goal, but the boys still defeated the Wild Cats. However, later in the match James and his teammates managed to put nine points on the scoreboard. "I jiggled Hanover Central's defense and did a scissor kick and scored," James said. James' father had played soccer professionally. "It was in my blood, and it was fun," James added. Silvester Lomeli (9) said Stenowski was the ideal soccer player. "I looked up to him," Silvester said.

>>One. Playing their last home soccer game, the underclassmen along with Sam Bushemi (12) and Nick Waidelinger (11), clip in Benji Mosey (12) jumps across the field to join the line. "I was going to miss all the seniors and the years we built together, and I was looking forward to next year," goalie Nick Barber (11) said. The three seniors on the team walked off the field later that night for the first time.



>>Two. At the Merrillville JV game, Jeff Erskine (9) passes the ball up the field. "A lot of the games we played were moral victories," Jeff said. The JV team tripled their number of goals this year in comparison to last year.

>>Three. On the varsity team during the Hanover Central match, Nick Mohamed (11) looks up the field searching for an open forward to pass to. "Although our season didn't reflect our talent, I considered it a stepping stone," Nick said. "Every season you are either building or executing. We were building." Hanover Central lost 9-2.

>>Four. Heading toward the goal, Adam Nowak (10) kicks the ball down the field. "The first time we played Hanover, I entered the game during the second half to receive varsity playing time for my hard work at prac-

tice." Practice consisted of long-distance running, sprinting, and various shooting drills.

>>Five. Belonging to both the varsity as number 4 and the JV team as number 6, Jerett Nelson (11), dribbles the ball down the field in the JV game against Merrillville. "Home games were better because we usually got Subway sandwiches and free cookies," Jerett said. "Everyone going to Subway together was a common part of home games and helped the team bond."

>>Six. Mike Lipton (10) goes for a header during the game against Hanover Central. "I had been playing soccer since I was four years old, but high school soccer was the most fun," Mike said. He enjoyed the time he spent with teammates the most.

overcoming challenges, staying focused girls' cross country team advances to regionals

By Kate Weller

With summer coming to an end and the fall leaves starting to sprinkle the ground, the girls' cross-country team lined up with ten other teams from around the area waiting for the gun to blow. They were at sectionals.

Focusing on the people in front of her, senior Sadie Williams said she didn't pay attention to those running next to her. She concentrated on passing one person at a time.

"We did what we had to do," Sadie said. "We went in knowing that we wanted to win."

Running ahead on that chilly Tuesday afternoon, the team mantra included what they told each other before the race: "We deserve this."

"When I crossed the [finish] line, it was a good moment," Sadie said. "It was a good moment with my parents, teammates and coaches because I knew we'd won sectionals."

Claiming the sectional title for the first time in eight years,

the girls attributed their success to hard practices and increased individual improvement.

"I enhanced my skills by a lot," freshman Ksenia Pilarski said. "I cut at least two minutes off of my time."

"This season was definitely a success," junior Jenn Bane said. "Our season consisted of a lot more mileage," sophomore Rachel Kolavo said.

Beginning to prepare for a tough season, the team began conditioning and practicing in the summer. Even with senior leaders, there was always room for the underclassmen to boost their running abilities.

"I ran on my own to improve, and I liked all of the practices we ran," sophomore Maggie Schwuchow said. "The hardest practices were the best because they were rewarding."

"I really stepped it up because I was more focused, and I knew that people would look to me," Maggie said.



Scoreboard

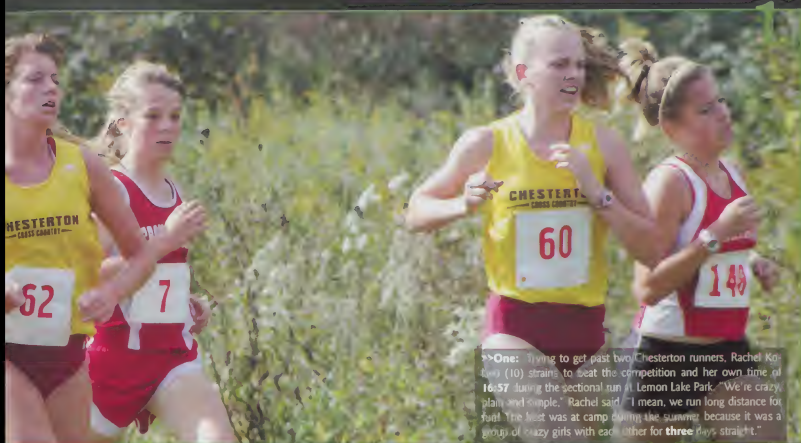
Crown Point Inv.	2nd place	Michigan City	W 20-35	DAC: 5th
Warren Central	9th	Portage	L 17-39	Sectionals: 1st
Chesterton	L 16-42	New Prairie Inv.	19th	Regionals: 3rd
LaPorte	W 23-36	Lake Central	L 21-35	Semi-State: 16th
Rebel Inv.	4th place	Valparaiso	L 18-31	
Merrillville	W 24-33	Culver Invite	23rd place	

>> "I ran in June before official practices started, and that helped me get into shape early," Jenn Bane (11) said. "Thursday work-outs were always the hardest because they were hard intervals; luckily we had pasta parties every Thursday to make up for it." Jenn ran the 4K in 16:40.

Jenn Bane

>>One. Running at the Lemon Lake course on the day of sectionals, Ksenia Pilarski (9) pushes ahead of runners from Chesterton, Lake Central and Portage. Ksenia said she mainly thought of how to better her 17:03 time on race days to get her pumped up for a meet. Her teammates helped as well. "We had team huddles," Ksenia said. "They were very inspirational."

>>Two. Team moms from the girls' cross-country team discuss the race in front of the three senior banners that hung on the pavilion. "There were only three seniors this season," Jenn Bane (11) said. "They really helped lead our team. What helped us break Andrean's streak was the home course advantage." The girls won sectionals for the first time in eight years.



>>One: "Trying to get past boy" Chesterton runners, Rachel Koenig (10) strains to beat the competition and her own time of 16:57 during the sectional run at Lemon Lake Park. "We're crazy, plain and simple," Rachel said. "I mean, we run long distance for fun! The best was at camp during the summer because it was a group of crazy girls with each other for **three** days straight."



>>Two: With teammates Ksenia Pilarski (9), Sara Becker (12) and Maggie Schwuchow (10), Sadie Williams (12) walks to the race line to prepare her running stance for sectionals. "As long as I was around, we had a very dedicated team," Sadie said.

>>Three: MVP winner for the season, Nicole Vega (9) sits and talks with her teammates before a meet. "This is my first time ever doing cross-country, and I loved it," Nicole said.

>>Four: With teammate Mackenzie Smack in tow, Ellen Kapitan (11) tries to beat a Lake Central

runner. Her best personal recorded run was 17:32. "Seeing my team kick everyone's butt gave me an amazing feeling of pride."

>>Five: Running for the lead, Morgan Kleinaman (9), who ran a 16:30 4K, tries to beat the competition on a muddy Lemon Lake running course. "For my pre-game rituals, I always listened to the same **three** songs," Morgan said.

>>Six: With her 17:50 personal record, Mackenzie Smack (9) strives for the finishing line on the straightaway. "At every practice, I tried my best," Mackenzie said.

beating odds, working together cross country team sends one koch to meet

By Meghan Frost

At 4:45 a.m. the average student rolled over in bed planning to sleep until the last possible minute. Senior Kyle Kocher, on the other hand, forced himself out of bed, dressed, and was on his way to the school ready to run.

"Morning practice was kind of like being hit in the face with a brick at five in the morning," Kyle said.

Three times a week the boys fought off fatigue and made their way to school for part one of the two part series they liked to call, "two-a-days." They practiced from 5:15-6:30 a.m., went to school, and then came back for part two at 3:00 p.m.

As the season began in early June, the boys believed they had big shoes to fill.

"We didn't have one runner that was sure to win every race like we did in previous years," senior Alex Nelson said. "It was anyone's spot to claim."

This opportunity gave the boys a chance to prove themselves as a team. They ran through the season and continued to place high in every invitational.

"One of our best achievements was placing first in the TF South Rebel Invite," junior Logan Koch said.

They boys accomplished their personal goals as well.

"My role on the team changed because I ran in the top seven," junior Tyler Baird said. "I had to push myself to maintain my spot."

The team's chemistry was another element that helped add to their continued success.

"I loved running cross because of the team camaraderie," junior Joe Kolavos said.

All of the boys supported junior Logan Koch after he placed 12th at semi-state. Even those who had finished their personal season continued practicing with him the week before the state

meet.

"Logan making state was one of our team's biggest accomplishments," senior Joe Rattazzi said.



>> Keeping the pace, Tyler Baird (11) works to beat his personal record of **18:28**. "Our home course at Lemon Lake was extra hard this year. It rained all season so the course was full of standing water. After the biggest flood, we called it, 'The Lake,'" Tyler said.

Tyler Baird

Scoreboard

Michigan City	33-24	Valparaiso	25-30
Merrillville	27-28	Chesterton	31-25
Munster	80-44	Portage	25-31
LaPorte	34-22	Lowell	80-91
Hobart	80-67	Highland	80-100
Hanover Central	80-103	Lake Central	19-38

Record: 9-5
DAC: 4th place
Sectionals: 2nd
Regionals: 3rd
Semi-State: 11th
State: 72nd

>>One, 19:01. Pushing each other, Alex Nelson (12) and Kyle Davis (9) work together to pass a Portage runner. The boys said they focused on the runners ahead to find the motivation needed to move up a position. Alex's record was **19:01** and he ran close to it at the Portage meet. "I was really happy with my time because it was only one **second** off of my personal record. Lemon Lake was one of the harder courses in the area, so I was happy with how I ran," Alex said.

>>Two. Lengthening his stride and using the downhill momentum to his advantage, Sean Harrison (11) passes two competitors and works toward a **third** Sean pushed himself to place high earning a time of **19:10** at the Duneland Athletic Conference meet held at the end of the season. His hard work helped the team to advance to the conference. "This was my **first** year running cross country and I really enjoyed it," Sean said. "It was a great experience."



>>One. Helping to trail the team, Logan Koch (11) sets the pace for the race. "There were not as many upperclassmen this year, so I had a lot more responsibility," Logan said. "I was looked upon as a role model for the younger boys on the team." Logan took 4th place at the sectional meet, 7th at the regionals, 12th at semi state, and finished in T2nd place at the state meet competition.



Meghan Fren



Photo by Meghan Fren



Photo by Meghan Fren



>>Two. In preparation for the race, Kyle Davis (9) gets his running spikes out of his bag. "The best race this year was the Rensselaer Invite," Kyle said. "It was a lot of fun, and I got my first medal for the year."

>>Three. Eyeing his Portage opponent, CJ Hopp (9) strides ahead. "The season was really fun. Coach (Keith) Iddings made us work hard, but it was worth it," CJ said. His personal record was 20:35.

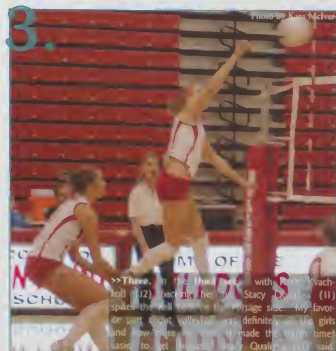
>>Four. While running through the woods, Sherzhen Howey (11) passes LaPorte and Merrillville runners trying to beat his best time of 19:23. "I liked running through the woods at the New Prairie Invitational, but ended up cutting my leg during the race," Sherzhen said.

>>Five. On his way into the woods, Joe Kolava (11) strides forward with first place in sight. "My favorite memory from the season has to have been from the Culver Invitational. Right after the race we all jumped into a mud pit," Joe said. Joe was one of three runners on the team who constantly competed for the top spot. He took 4th place at sectionals and 5th at regionals.

>>Six. Rounding a corner and heading for the finish line, Andrew Feder (11) uses the support of the crowd to push himself. Andrew often helped the team by being one of the first five runners to place. "Our season really brought the team together. We spent a lot of time with each other on and off the course," Andrew said.

>>One. As the second set gets underway, Katie Skaltsas (11), Allison Shaw (11), Marcy Kerr (11), Megan Ast (11) and Tori Welker (9) watch on the sidelines hoping for a chance to play. The girls won the second set against Portage 25-22 but still lost the game.

>>Two. Showing their passion, the team lifts each other's spirits before a game against Portage. "Even though we had a tough season, we all had a great time with each other and definitely became better teammates," Leah Rashin (11) said. In half of the 22 losses the girls experienced, they lost the first set by five points or less. "I was surprised at our record because I thought our team was just as good as any other team," Katie Kvachkoff (12) said.



>>Three. In the third set, with Katie Kvachkoff (12) and Leah Rashin (11) spaced the ball around the Portage side. "My favorite part about volleyball was definitely when the girls and I were able to make the rally time easier to get the ball back," Leah Rashin (11) said.



>>Four. In the fourth set, the girls were able to make the rally time easier to get the ball back. "I was surprised at our record because I thought our team was just as good as any other team," Katie Kvachkoff (12) said.

new varsity volleyball coach, decreased senior leadership creates challenging season, responsibility for underclassmen

By Jacob Hoffman

Scoreboard

H. Bishop Noll	W
Highland	L
E. Chicago Central	W
Hanover Central	W
Merrillville	L
Lafayette C. Catholic	L
Benton Central	W
Hammond Clark	L
Michigan City	L
Hobart	W
Lake Central	L
LaPorte	L
Valparaiso	L
South Bend	L
Bishop Noll	W
Kankakee Valley	W
Hobart	L
Lowell	L
Portage	L
Chesterton	L
Merrillville	L
Michigan City	L
Laville	W
South Bend Clay	W
Calumet	W
New Prairie	W
Lake Central	W
LaPorte	L
Valparaiso	L
Portage	L
Munster	L
Chesterton	L
Hebron	W

Record: 12-22

DAC: 1-11

Sectionals: Portage L

The girls who tried out for varsity volleyball waited in anticipation afterwards hoping to see their names on the list of those who made the team.

Assuming that experience and longevity counted, the seniors seemed less nervous than the underclassman. However, few seniors found positions on the team which were instead filled with hopeful underclassmen.

"It made me feel like I had to work even harder because I made it when the seniors didn't, so I needed to prove that I deserved the spot," junior Marcy Kerr said.

Coach Rick Ashmore led the team for the first time. He brought with him a new coaching style and different methods of play. The new changes brought about new challenges, according to the members of the team.

"It was really different to go out and play a new position for the first time during my senior year," senior Katie Kvachkoff said.



>>Two. Blocking the ball during the fifth set, number seven Molly Raspopovich (10) prevents the opposing Lake Central player from sending the ball over the net. "The team as a whole had to work more as a team, talk more, and try to help each other out," Molly said. The girls lost the final set 10-15 to Lake Central.

As the underclassmen watched Katie work hard and succeed in her new position, her actions and attitude motivated them to work harder themselves.

"Katie had to play a different spot than she usually would, and she tried her best for the team," sophomore Molly Raspopovich said.

The team did struggle though. They lost all three times when the games advanced to five sets. They also had difficulties getting ahead in the early moments of the game. In six of their losses, they lost the first set by only the minimum two points. In eleven of their losses, they lost the first set by five points or less. However, when they took the first set, they defeated their opponent 75 percent of the time.

While the season seemed difficult at times, it created a strong foundation of team unity.

"Even though we were a very young team, we helped each other through the season and got along very well," Molly said.

>>One. Getting the fans involved, the varsity team throws out miniature volleyballs before the game starts against Chesterton. The girls threw the balls out to supporters three times over the course of the season. "We threw out the balls as a thanks to our parents and supporting fans. It was fun to make them, and we bonded as a team when we made them," Megan Ast (11) said. The girls lost 19-25 in both the first and second sets against Chesterton. "I was surprised to be playing with so many younger girls. However, I gave them credit because they stepped up and proved they belonged on the team," Katie Kvachkoff (12) said.



>>First year captain Sonya Trippel (11) assists her team by setting the ball against Chesterton. "I felt a lot of pressure [being captain]. Coach pushed me to be a really vocal leader," Sonya said. "I had to be tough with the girls. I tried to be a leader. I couldn't always be 'Miss Nice'."

on and off court setting, **Scoring**, spiking, freshman, junior varsity teams create team unity, find success

By Danny Krause

As the season began and summer conditioning ended, both girls' teams had been in full force preparing themselves. Preseason consisted of six-hour-long practices, weight lifting and plenty of sprints, according to the team members.

"We were probably one of the best conditioned teams on the court because Coach (Ginger) Keithley loved to make us run," sophomore Samantha Lamantia said.

Team chemistry also played an important role in the girls' experiences as well.

"The girls were some of the best people I have met; you could always count on having fun on and off the court, even if you were having a bad day," freshman Brenna Wermers said.

The coach and the players thought that Toni Fackler, contributed to their success.

"The addition of our foreign exchange student from Germany also helped our team out," Coach Keithley said.

"Even though Toni was from another country, she still always

managed to have a positive attitude and a smile on her face," sophomore Ashley Lionberger said.

As a pregame ritual, the girls went out to eat and talked to each other about game strategy. Also, in the team huddle, before each match, sophomore Clare Grubnich led the team chant, "Go, Go Bulldogs," while the rest of the girls clapped their hands.

The younger team members said they received inspiration and support from those on the varsity squad, especially junior Stacy Qualizza and senior Katie Kvachkoff.

"Even if they were upperclassmen, they made every player feel like part of the team by having such positive attitudes," Brenna said.

Saturday mornings all three volleyball teams practiced together. Claire Grubnich (10) thought some of the most memorable moments occurred on Saturdays.

"I'll always remember Ashley's (Lionberger) vacuum-cleaner dance, she said.

>>One. Helping out the team in the first set, Staci Cetta (10) sets the ball for her fellow teammates. "I played as the main setter of the team, which was very stressful at times," Staci said. The junior varsity team lost in the **first** set

>>Two. Freshman player Brittany O'Conner (9) focuses on setting up her teammates against Boone Grove. "We did our best to work together and pull through for each other," Brittany said. The girls defeated Boone Grove in three sets **25-12, 23-25, 15-9**

>>Three. Outside hitter Elizabeth Ladowicz (10) dives in front of her teammate trying to save a point. "Team chemistry helped us succeed," Elizabeth said. The freshman lost to Lake Central **twice**.

>>Four. Amanda Reid (9) looks on as she gets ready to serve against Lowell. "Serving was one of the best aspects of the game. It was a really good way to obtain easy points," Amanda said. The freshmen defeated Lowell in **three** sets.



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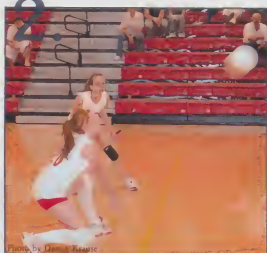


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>>Playing Merrillville, Lindsey Rusher (9) dives to save the ball. "When the season started, I made the freshman team, but then was promoted to JV as I improved," Lindsey said. Stepping up in key situations earned Lindsay a spot on the JV team.

Lindsey Rusher

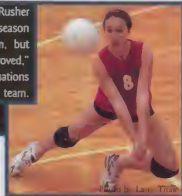


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>>One. At only 5'3" Mary Parks (10) get low to the ground to execute a forearm pass. "Being able to make the big plays at the right time was really exciting," Mary said. Mary played as the JV setter at the match against Lake Central.

>>Two. As she throws the ball into the air, Lindsey Wacnisk (9) tries to position herself for the serve. "My favorite part was how the entire team communicated and bonded together," Lindsey said. Her serving helped down the stretch in the victory against Boone Grove 2-1.

>>Three. Brenna Wermers (9), Lindsey Rusher (9), and Samantha Lamantia (10) talk before the team's match against Lake Central. "During the team huddle we would chant 'team on 3! 1.2.3. Team!,'" Brenna said. Standing at 5'11", Brenna towered over some of her opponents, giving her substantial advantage.



Scoreboard

Freshman	Lake Central	L	Junior Varsity	LaPorte	L	LaPorte	L	Frosh Record	13-10
Andean	Chesterton	W	Bishop Noll	Valparaiso	L	Portage	L	DAC	6-8
Merrillville	Hebron	W	Highland	Lowell	W	Munster	L	JV Record	11-11
Michigan City	Portage	L	East Chicago	Portage	L	Chesterton	L	DAC	4-10
Boone Grove	Merrillville	W	Hanover	Chesterton	L	Hebron	W		
Michigan City	LaPorte	L	Merrillville	Merrillville	W				
Valparaiso	L. Munster	L	Michigan City	Michigan City	L				
Lowell	Lake Central	L	Hobart	Lake Central	L				
Chesterton	LaPorte	L	Lake Central	Valparaiso	L				

>>>**One.** Sweating from the wrestling match against Lake Central, Mark Myers (10), **152 lbs.**, defeats his opponent, earning points toward the team score. For practice before school, the boys came in at six in the morning to run sprints, and after school they practiced until five.

>>>**Two.** In an effort to pin his Valparaiso opponent, Alex Murzyn (10), struggles to put the Viking's shoulders to the mat. The team won against Valparaiso **53-15**.

>>>**Three.** Tony Conway (11), **145 lbs.**, tries to pin his opponent to the mat during. "He got along with underclassmen and sets good examples," Nick Bruno said, regarding who he admires the most on the team.

>>>**Four.** Attempting to get his Merrillville opponent down on the mat first, Nick Bruno (10), **135 lbs.**, struggles to keep his wrist from getting any worse. He wrestled with a broken bone in his wrist. "My most memorable moment was when I won my first tourney in two years. I took **first** at the CP-Carnahan Tournament, which turned out to be my last match of the season," Nick said. Also, at the Carnahan Tournament, the officials skipped Nick for the weight announcement- he had to wait to be introduced until right before the heavy-weights



>>>In the wrestling meet against Lake Central, Anthony Hawkins (9) pins his opponent to the mat. Crown Point won against Lake Central with a score of **66-6**. Anthony was one of four wrestlers to qualify for the state tournament, and he also was the only freshman to make it to the state meet.

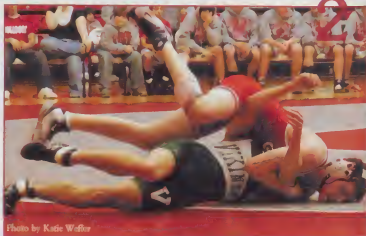


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winning sectionals, snagging titles key wrestling members support family tradition

By Marissa Feliciano

When it came to choosing a sport, sophomore Nick Bruno and senior Ryan Gill chose wrestling because of family tradition.

In Nick's family, his two older brothers were wrestlers.

"I joined back when I was about five years old because my two brothers did it, and I wanted to be just like them. So, I haven't stopped since," Nick said.

Nick believed that he made his brothers proud with his performance on the mat.

"We won the Stagg Tournament as a team, and I won my first tourney in two years," Nick said. "I took first at the C.P. Carnahan Tournament, which turned out to be my last match of the season."

After the Carnahan Tournament, Nick had to stop wrestling for medical reasons.

"I had to stop because I had been wrestling with a broken bone in my wrist," Nick said. "I had to have surgery done on it."

Ryan Gill also joined the wrestling team out of family tradition. It wasn't about his brothers, though; it was about carrying on his father's legacy.

"My dad wrestled in high school, and I wanted to carry it on," Ryan said.

Ryan's father shared many wrestling stories with him over the years.

"It was nice to hear his stories and be able to relate, and maybe someday I can share my father's and my wrestling stories with my son," Ryan said.

Ryan believed that his father was happy with one particular performance.

"I beat Adam Walters of Portage, and he took 2nd in the state that year," Ryan said. "That was my most memorable moment."

Ryan also thought the team traditions made for an enjoyable season.

"Before practice, Jake Rosenbaum and Anthony Hawkins and I would tackle Marcus Shrewsbury. He was so much bigger than all of us. He would just throw us off, and we'd all just gang up on him," Ryan said.

He added that although practice was difficult, the team found time to bond.

"Before school we came in at six to do sprints, and after school, we practiced hard until about five," Ryan said. "After every Saturday meet, we would go to a different teammate's house to eat together."

Photo by Larry Tusk



Scoreboard

Chesterton	35-27	Cardinal Ritter (DAC)	84-0	Record 17-3
Kankakee Valley (Carn)	64-9	Mishawaka (Stagg)	15-44	A.A. Stagg: 1st
Michigan City (Stagg)	75-3	Brebeuf (DAC)	73-3	Carnahan: 1st
Rensselaer (Carn)	14-13	Merrillville (Stagg)	31-27	DAC: 2nd
Lake Station (Stagg)	69-12	Perry Meridian (DAC)	20-33	Sectionals: 1st
Valparaiso (Carn)	53-15	Portage (Carn)	35-27	4 State Qualifiers:
La. Jefferson (Stagg)	46-17	Lake Central (DAC)	66-6	Anthony Hawkins,
Guerin (DAC)	78-4	La Porte (Carn)	64-8	Tony Conway,
Indy. Cath (Stagg)	24-31	Portage (Regional)	32-25	Andrew Szymborski (5th),
Triton Central (DAC)	45-16	Chesterton (Regional)	31-32	Marcus Shrewsbury (7th)
Portage (Stagg)	44-22			

In his preparatory stance, Ryan Gill (12) scans his opponent and contemplates his first move. "I admired Brett Mellis the most. He was a true leader when he was here. It really helped me a lot having him coach me," Ryan said. Ryan was the only senior in the line-up.

Ryan Gill

>>>One. Receiving words of advice, Andrew Szymborski (11) shakes Coach Scott Vlink's hand before running out onto the mat to join the rest of the wrestling team in a match against Valparaiso. Weighing in at 171 lbs., Andrew placed 5th in state and won regionals. Before that, however, the team won the DAC title. On his inspiration, Andrew said, "I had been doing wrestling all my life; my dad put me in it. I admired him for the hard work he has done."



jv & freshman teams create memories through wrestling practices, weekend tournaments

By Sammy Vercellino

Described as unforgettable, the wrestling team said bus rides to and from regular season matches and weekend tournaments brought teammates closer together and produced many memories.

"Tournament bus rides were some of my favorite memories during the season," freshman Ryan Gonzalez said.

Wrestling tournaments were held throughout Indiana on weekends and usually took place all day. Wrestlers arrived early the day of the South Bend tournament to catch the bus at 6 a.m. They spent the day sleeping, eating packed lunches, listening to music, and most importantly wrestling.

"One of my favorite memories from the tournament was when I beat a kid from South Bend Riley. I was winning in the 3rd period, 19-17, and then I pinned him for the win," freshman Ben Cottrell said.

Other highlights from the South Bend tournament included a first place finish by freshman Dallas Shrug and a second place finish by freshman Tommy Renn, both competing in the 119-pound weight class.

The Rensselaer tournament was another tournament that Ben and other wrestlers agreed was fun to attend.

"The Rensselaer tourney was my favorite out of all of them because I pinned everyone and took 1st place," Ben said.

Along with weekend tournaments, wrestlers agreed that practices during the week combined hard work with enjoyment.

"Joke days on Thursdays were probably some of the funniest memories during the season," freshman John Hannon said.

Practices were held after school everyday in the wrestling room, while conditioning took place in the field house.

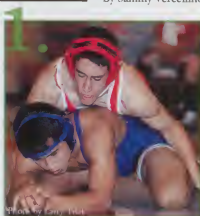


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Preparing for the next period, John Hannon (9) takes a deep breath in order to regain his energy. "Listening to my iPod and dancing around were just some of the things I did before I wrestled," John said. Before spraining his ankle, John obtained a 15-3 record.

John Hannon

Scoreboard

JV		Lake Central	W
Hobart	W	Merrillville	L
Hanover	W	LaPorte	L
Valparaiso	W	Winemac	W
Lake Central	W	Highland	W

Record: 7-2

South Bend Invite:

1st- Kyle Bacon
1st- Dallas Schurg
1st- Nick Fouts
2nd- Tommy Renn

>>One. With a record of 10-10, Ryan Gonzalez (9) breaks down his Merrillville challenger by hovering over him and using all his strength to defeat him. "I liked breaking down my challengers during matches to try to get a win," Ryan said. Before matches Ryan would pump himself up by focusing on the task at hand while listening to music.

>>Two. After blocking his Merrillville opponent's shot, Alexander Villa (9) uses his shoulder to hold him down. "Some of my favorite memories from the wrestling season were when I got 8 pins and won my first match," Alexander said. Alexander ended his very first year of wrestling with a winning record and a second place finish at the Crown Point Invitational.

>>One. Michael Kelly (9) dominates his Chesterton opponent by pinning him to the rubber mat and putting him into a head lock. "Chesterton was my favorite team to wrestle because I got a pin," Michael said. Michael wrestled in the 135-pound weight class.

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>>Two. Making sure that he holds the shoulders of his Merrillville opponent down on the mat, Tommy Renn (9) looks up at the referee hoping to see the gesture signifying the **two-second** time period needed to win. "My favorite memory was pinning kids using the figure four move," Tommy said. Tommy ended the season with a **28-4** record and took **2nd place** at the South Bend Riley Invitational.

>>Three. On opposite sides of the starting rectangle, 119-pound Andrew Kutanovski (9) and his Valparaiso opponent face each other to begin the match. "My favorite match was the Munster match because that was where I had my **first** pin," Andrew said. Andrew won **86%** of his matches during the season.

>>Four. With 20 pins to his credit, Dallas Schurg (9) uses strength against his Merrillville challenger. "My favorite match was when I beat a vasily wrestler from Gilfish because later on, he made it all the way to semi-state," Dallas said. Dallas ended the season with a **23-3** record.

>>Five. On the mat, Craig Hebbs (11) mentally prepares to wrestle in the 130-pound weight class. "A specific memory of mine was when Joe Kolavo and I always tried to beat each other up before practice," Craig said.

>>Six. In the 171-pound weight class, Ben Cottrell (9) grabs on to the head of his Merrillville challenger. "Beating Merrillville really made the wrestling season memorable," Ben said. Ben pinned **25** of his **36** opponents.

supporting teammates, building friendships, girls' swimming team creates buddy system

By Hayley Hanes

Waking up at 5 a.m., jumping into cold, frigid water and having Saturday practices until noon was nothing short of ordinary for the girls' swim team. While enduring what most might consider horrendous, these girls formed bonds of friendship.

Holding the school record for the 100-yard breaststroke with a time of 1:07, junior Alyssa Kuras found out she couldn't swim throughout the season. During the preseason, Alyssa had surgery on her shoulders. Doctors cleaned out her cartilage in both shoulders, and tightened her tendons.

"The swim team was so supportive of me. They let me know they believed in me even though I couldn't swim," Alyssa said. "When I got discouraged, they cheered me up and soon my attitude changed."

Since her surgery, Alyssa became familiar with the junior varsity members and "helped them into the family." The upperclass girls stirred up some new traditions to bring together the team.

No leg shaving, the buddy system, Saturday morning breakfasts and red hair for conference were just a few of the traditions rousing in the pot. From preseason to right before sectionals, the team didn't shave their legs.

"Since our sport is more focused on an individual's

race, we needed to find a way to bring the team together. The meet buddies did it. It created a system where everyone was supported and encouraged and no one was left out," junior Rachel Smith said.

In addition to the buddy system, every Saturday when the team practiced, they went out to breakfast at the Circle Cafe and then walked around the square.

"We really got to know each other outside of the team and going out to eat definitely brought all of us closer," freshman Angela Roberts said.

The unity of the girls didn't end there. Before sectionals, the entire team spent a practice making shirts for each other and decorating lockers.

"More intense, longer practices, and, of course, our new ways of connecting with the entire team made a more united team," junior Kara McIver said.

More to the point, each team member had contributed to the completeness of the team. Even some of the underclassmen had admired those who have been on the team for several years.

"Most of the upperclassmen were pretty amazing. I looked up to a lot of them because they went their fastest. They worked so hard that they had to be dragged out of the pool," freshman Lauren Stokoski said.



Photo by Kara McIver



Photo by Hayley Hanes

Scoreboard

Munster	68-118	Portage	106-82
Michigan City	28-58	Griffith	124-59
Chesterton	60-123	LaPorte	121-65
Vaparaiso	108-78	Lowell	127-58
Highland	109-77	Lake Central	97-88
Merrillville	106-72	Rensselaer	98-83
LaPorte Invite	2nd	Highland Invite	3rd

Record 10-2

DAC: 2nd

Sectionals: 2nd



>>>While practicing at boys sectionals for spring regionals, Kelsey Drasga (10) jumps up to do a front twister dive. "My favorite dive is the front twister because I was just amazing at this dive. A front twister is a front flip straight with one full twist," Kelsey said. Breaking her long time goal, Kelsey placed **sixth** at sectionals with a score of **301**. She went on to spring regionals to place **16th** out of **30**. "I really enjoyed the car ride down to regionals. Amanda Lukawski (11), Jimmy Page (11), Coach Heather Mikrut and I were all cramped in my coach's miniature car. Amanda and I made fun of Jimmy and we all told jokes. It was so entertaining," Kelsey said.

Kelsey Drasga

>>>One. Lunging forward and positioning her body for entry into the water, Nicky Way (9) leaps off a block to start her warm-up while practicing after sectionals. Although practices involved sprinting a **25-yard** freestyle for time, and hard core calisthenics with boards and flippers, she said it was worth it to her in the long run. "New Year's Eve practice was the hardest practice yet, but it also helped me get a **1:03** time in the 100-yard freestyle through hard work and conditioning almost everyday, even during the off season," Nicky said. In addition to swimming freestyle, Nicky also swam the 100-yard backstroke and made her best time at sectionals **1:12**.



>>While the team huddles in the locker room, Ashley Lionberger (11), Hanley Russell (10), Rachel Smith (11), Coach Bryon Angerman and the rest of the team shout and cheer a fight song in preparation for their meet against Lowell. "Throughout the season, the team definitely improved, and there were a lot of great time drops. The team **placed 20th** in state overall, and only lost two meets," Coach Angerman said.

>>**One.** Taking a breath right before the last lap of her race, Stephanie Reeve (12) swims with swiftness and momentum. "The 500 freestyle at sectional finals was my best race and the last race of my high school career. I broke my long time aspiration of six minutes, and managed to make **top 12** at finals," Stephanie said.

>>**Two.** While at sectionals, which were held at the home pool, Kara McIver (11) swims freestyle and dashes toward the end of her lap to take **9th place** in the 50-meter freestyle and **11th place** in the 100-meter freestyle. "I had a really great year because in the off season, I worked really hard and put way more into my practices every day. I improved almost all my times, including getting my best times in sectionals in the 50 freestyle with **25.47 seconds** and the 100 freestyle with **57.12 seconds**," Kara said.

>>**Three.** Watching Senior Night presentations on the walkway, Morgan Kleinaman (9), Ashley Lionberger (10), Molly Raspopovich (10), Matt Kukurya (10), Angela Roberts (10) and Aly Kuras (11) discuss the night's events. Molly was the **1st place** sectional champion for the 50-meter freestyle and the 100-meter backstroke.

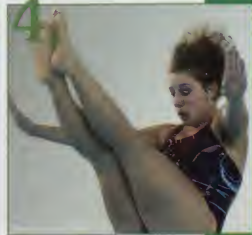
>>**Four.** Despite being in her first year of diving, Amanda Lukawski (11) attempts an inwards dive. "I got into diving by Jimmy Page telling me that I should join, and I said okay, and that was that. Practices were tough but we worked hard. I received a high score of **181** for six dives," Amanda said. She placed **5th** at sectionals.



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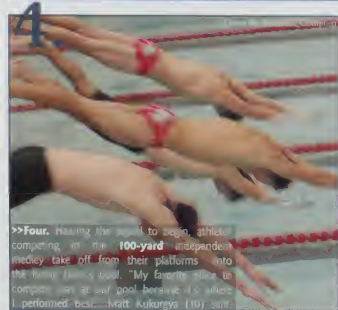


>>One. Gliding down a pool lane, Dan Feller (11) races for the best time in the **200-yard** freestyle event. "I joined swimming for numerous reasons, like friends, eating before meets, and creating a sense of belonging, but the main reason was, simply said, I love swimming. I love the sport," Dan said. At one particular conference, Dan set a perfect record, beating his competitor from LaPorte. "I put my mind to it and beat him in the race. I felt extremely good because I had met my goals," he said.

>>Two. Swimming with great intensity as he surfaces from the water, Josh Glass (9) competes in the **100-yard** butterfly race. "The butterfly stroke was my best stroke," he said. "When I wasn't using my butterfly stroke, I would switch to my backstroke during the freestyle races." Josh was only one of ten freshmen who joined the swim or dive team.



Photo by Larry Tink



>>Four. Hearing the gun to begin, athletes competing in the **100-yard** independent medley take off from their platforms into the home team's pool. "My favorite place to compete was at our pool because it's where I performed best," Matt Kukuruya (10) said.

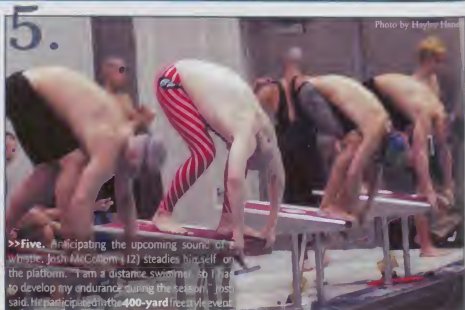


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>>Five. Anticipating the upcoming sound of a whistle, Josh McCormick (12) steadies himself on the platform. "I am a distance swimmer, so I had to develop my endurance during the season," Josh said. He participated in the **400-yard** freestyle event.

practice at dawn, practice after school, inspiration, dedication lead swimmers to success

By Shannon Compton

When the autumn leaves spiraled from their branches unto the ground, and the threat of a frigid winter surfaced, students began to settle into a seasonal routine different from the warmer, autumn months. The clocks fell back one hour, the oversized winter coats were taken out of storage, and the heaters were switched on.

When the crack of dawn rolled around, most students would still be nestled in their warm beds. There were some exceptions though.

Twenty-six boys with different strengths and different motives behind joining the swimming or diving team awoke for morning practices when others would still be snoozing away, thoughts far from the pool.

Swimming success required two daily practices.

"My routine consisted of getting up at 4 a.m., eating a little something, 5 a.m. practice, school, and more practice afterwards," senior Josh McCollom said.

During the practices, the athletes worked on their specific strengths. The swimmers practiced

endurance, distance and speed, while the divers perfected their techniques.

Besides daily practices, the swimmers and divers needed inspiration to fuel their ambitions as athletes.

"I probably wouldn't have trained as hard if I hadn't spent a year training with my brother, Chris," sophomore Brendan Morin said. "He was my inspiration on and off the team. I saw what intense training could do for you," he said.

Sophomore Chris Craft found inspiration from his fellow athletes.

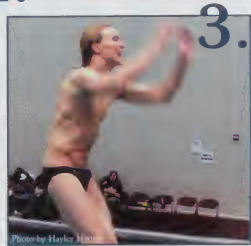
"My teammates inspired me the most because they were always encouraging throughout the year," he said.

The practices the athletes endured and the inspiration they gained from various sources proved to aid them in their success as they met victory almost everywhere they competed, losing only two of their meets. After Sectionals, seven swimmers and divers were invited to compete at the state.

>>One. Performing the back stroke during the 400-yard freestyle event, Kyle Snow (11) takes a breath before submerging himself underwater. "During the season, swimming was my life," Kyle said. "It kept me active. Instead of sitting on the couch playing video games without any friends and becoming fat, I would swim and train everyday." Like most swimmers, Kyle took part in more than one event, including the 200-yard independent medley.



>>Two. Performing a forward tuck dive, Blake Zolfo (9) concentrates on his form. "After the first couple of times, I was hesitant to continue diving," he said. Like many of his teammates, Blake said he needed inspiration to achieve success. "My coach encouraged me to keep going and to stay on the team." Blake was one of three divers and the only freshman.



>>Three. Bouncing on the diving board to gain momentum, Jimmy Page (11) prepares to achieve an inward one-and-a-half dive. "This was definitely my best season," he said. After placing first at sectionals, Jimmy was selected to compete at the State. "It was a privilege to go to State and to win sectionals," he said.

Scoreboard

Chesterton	40-144
Munster Relays	2nd
Valparaiso	134-51
Highland	107-71
Merrillville	140-41
LaPorte Relays	2nd
Portage	119-67
Griffith	137-51
LaPorte	130-66
Highland Invit.	5th
Lowell	120-55
Lake Central	73-113
Rensselaer	116-70
Michigan City	101-84

Sectionals	3rd
Varsity Record	9-2
DAC Record	5-2
State	15th

Jeremy Boyer



>>Hanging in mid-air, Jeremy Boyer (12) completes his forward pike dive. As the only senior on the team, this was Jeremy's fourth and final year of diving. "I actually felt like I learned more socially from being on the dive team than I did from being in school," he said. "After four seasons, I thought that this one was my best."

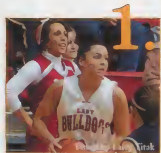


Photo by Jon Newberry



Photo by Larry

>>One. With her Lake Central opponent guarding, Kristi Quigley (12) prepares to pass. Kristi played the shooting guard position and earned a starter spot by the end of the season. The girls lost the game by **seven** after being down by **25** points.

>>Two. Watching his girls during one of the last games of the season, Coach Tom May, in his **27th** year of coaching, stands silently by the side lines. "Mr. May was a very vocal coach. Whatever he was thinking during a game, we knew, and the other teams knew, and the fans in the top row of the bleachers knew. It was something we came to expect and something we loved about him," Nicci Brown (11) said.

>>Three. To put up her shot, Kristen Morasan (12), **5'8"**, reaches above her opponents. "Despite my lack of height, I played the **five position**, and as a five, I got to push around other big girls and just be more physical all around, so I enjoyed it," Kristen said.

>>Four. Looking down court for a pass, Brittany Clements (12), **5'3"**, takes the ball in bounds. "There wasn't a day I didn't look forward to going to practice. We always worked hard but had a lot of fun at the same time," Brittany said. The girls won **49-44** with their biggest lead being **22** points.

>>Five. Preparing to pass, Anjellica Rospond (12), **6'1"**, looks down the court for a teammate. "I had to be more vocal on the court. Most of the girls on the team didn't have varsity experience, so I felt that as a senior captain it was my job to make sure everything that needed to happen, happened," Anjellica said.

>>Six. As a team, the girls run out onto the court before a game against Merrillville on senior night. Amanda Moore (12) lead the line and personally out scored Merrillville going into the half with **18 points** and finishing the game with a total of **23 points**. They finished the season with a **.500** record of 10-10



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Photo by Larry



girls' basketball team comes together to finish coach May's twenty-seven year career

By Kara McIver

"Daniela's last-second shot to beat Lake Central at home was definitely the most exciting moment of the season," junior Nicci Brown said.

"After that shot I was in awe," sophomore Daniela Tarailo said. "I was just in the right place and did the right thing at the right time. I didn't win the game alone; the team and I did."

"I played with most of the Lake Central girls during the summer," senior Anjellica Rospond said, "so beating them at the buzzer was a wonderful memory."

But mid-season, the team did have a break in their unity.

"I was losing my love for basketball and I didn't want that to happen," sophomore Sydnee Reeves said. "When I came back, I had really missed the sport. I hadn't been playing since I was six. I wanted and needed to come

back." And the team tried to retain that strength.

"Our team chemistry, other than occasional problems, was the strongest ever," senior Kristen Morasan said. "Although it ended too soon, I know all of us felt closer to each other this year compared to others."

"Being so close really helped the program," senior Brittany Clements said.

Coach Tom May announced he was retiring after this season.

"He has done so much for girls' basketball in the region and the state, but he'll finally be able to enjoy his free time," senior Amanda Moore said.

"Finishing Coach May's final season, we had really high hopes for sectionals," Brittany said. "It was a bummer that it ended so quickly (in the first round), but at least we left incentive for the younger girls to work for."

Scoreboard

Kankakee Valley 54-16
Portage 31-40
Warsaw 53-44
Michigan City 28-47
Lowell 38-23
LaPorte 39-47
Lake Central 46-44
Boone Grove 49-51

Michigan City 28-47
Hanover Central 63-43
Merrillville 38-6
Portage 37-51
Chesterton 49-44
Lake Central 32-39
Michigan City 30-44
LaPorte 44-51

Valparaiso 49-44
Valparaiso 34-25
Hebron 65-42
Merrillville 46-57

Record 10-11

DAC: 5-9

Sectionals 0-1

1. Sophomore Megan Maloney, 5'8", plays both forward and guard. "This season was really great because we came together as a team, it really changed the way we played the game," she said.



2. One. Amanda Moore (12), 5'9", chases after a loose ball. "All I was thinking of was that I had to get to the ball before that other girl did," Amanda said. Even after the fight, the girls lost 30-44. Two. "To be named MVP is definitely an honor. All in all, the one reason that made receiving this award such an honor was because I knew I was Coach May's last MVP, and I'm really proud of that because he was a great coach and I have a lot to thank him for," MVP Daniela Tarailo (10) said.

**Amanda Moore
Daniela Tarailo**

making it count on, off court, freshman, jv basketball teams work toward successful season

By Nicole Krnich

In order to stay in shape, many of the girls attended open gym over the summer. They also ran and lifted weights twice a week during the fall. The season officially started in October and meant practices and games would soon be coming.

"Our main team goal was to have a good record," junior Megan Ast said.

They practiced an average of ten hours during the week to work toward their goal. They also played an average of two games during the weekend.

"Scrimmaging was the hardest part of practice," Megan said. "However, it was also my favorite part of practice," sophomore Clare Grubnich added.

"The hardest part of our practices for the freshman team was timed sprints," freshman Katrina Klingberg said.

The freshman girls' team was short players this year.

"Even though we only had six girls, it was great and so much fun," freshman Hanna Tokoly said.

"We really had to prove what we could do," she added.

Having such a small team, the girls had to be extra careful not to get into foul trouble. However, they had a very exciting win against LaPorte.

"It was the most exciting win because we finished the game with only four players," freshman Jackie Beilfus said.

Aside from all the games and practices, the girls still spent time with each other. The freshman girls enjoyed singing together on the bus, and the JV girls liked sleep overs. For fun, the junior varsity team decided to TP varsity player Amanda Moore's house one night.

"She came home as we were just getting ready to leave, and started chasing us," Clare said.

"It was hilarious, and something I will never forget," sophomore Mary Parks added.

"For the most part we had a pretty good season, and we became a lot closer with each other," Mary said.

>>One. Bringing the ball up the court, Kara Gulvas (10), number 31, looks for an open teammate. "Making good passes was a really important part in making the plays work," Kara said.

>>Two. Being defended by LaPorte players, Sam Polus (10) shoots a jump shot. "We tried our best to work together and make good passes," Sam said. The girls defeated LaPorte twice during the season.

>>Three. During the second quarter of the Portage game, Coach Ginger Britton calls a time out to discuss plays. "One of our goals was to have a better record than the last freshman team," Hanna Tokoly (9) said. Even with six girls their record still held at 13-7.

>>Four. While holding the ball, number 32, Katrina Klingberg (9), waits for a teammate to get open. "Valpo was the most upsetting loss because we really wanted to beat them," Katrina said.



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Photo by Larry Titus

>>Point guard Lauren Seils (10) dribbles down the court looking to pass to one of her teammates. After breaking her nose during the Chesterton game, she couldn't play in any of the upcoming games. "It was extremely hard not being able to help my team out," Lauren said.

Lauren Seils



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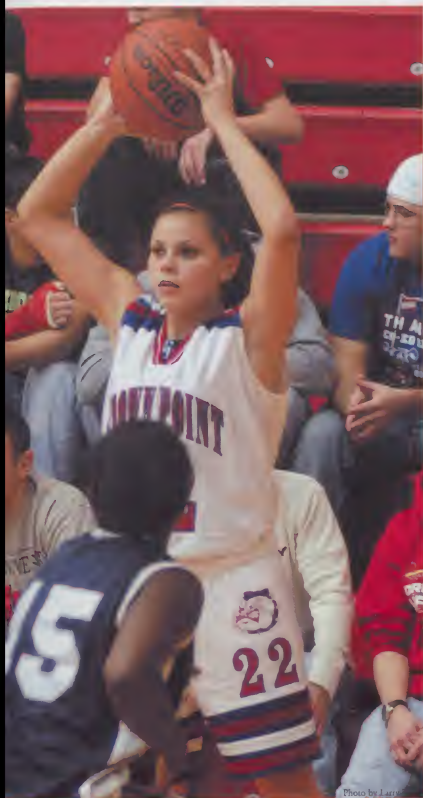


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>>One. At 5'3" Jackie Belfius (9) attempts to make a pass in the lane. Jackie's goal for the year was to play JV. "It felt really good to achieve it, and it made me become a better player," Jackie said. "I had a blast," she added.

>>Two. Boxing out a Chesterton player, the 5'8" center Morgan Faso (9) watches the basket. She hoped to rebound the ball after a free-throw was shot. The girls beat Chesterton.

>>Three. Mary Parks (10), Abby Thomas (10), Megan Ast (10) and Clare Grubnich (10) all watch eagerly in hopes that teammate Flori Garcia-Vicente (10), number 20, will make her free-throw. "Free-throws were really important in close games," Clare said.



Scoreboard

Freshman

Boone Grove	W	Andrean	W
Portage	L	Merrillville	L
Illiana Christian	W	Hammond Morton	W
Merrillville	W	Portage	W
Chesterton	W	Lowell	W
LaPorte	W	LaPorte	W
Lake Central	L	Lake Central	L
Michigan City	L	Kankakee Valley	W
		Valparaiso	L

Junior Varsity

Kankakee Valley	28-11	Hanover	25-18
Portage	26-16	Merrillville	32-29
Warsaw	15-26	Portage	25-20
Chesterton	17-22	Chesterton	8-28
Lowell	31-10	Lake Central	31-39
Laporte	20-18	Michigan City	14-49
Lake Central	12-33	LaPorte	21-27
Boone Grove	25-19	Valparaiso	26-40
Valparaiso	14-18	Merrillville	35-28
Michigan City	29-39		

Frosh Record	13-7
DAC	6-8
JV Record	10-10
DAC	5-9



>>One. New head coach Clint Swan (English) watches from the sidelines while discussing strategy with his assistant coach, Brian Elston (Science). It was Mr. Elston's 2nd year as assistant at C.P.

>>Two. Kyle Hanaway (11) sets up the offense just over half court. Kyle's only points came from free throws; however, Kyle did manage to set a school record by completing 17 assists. Zach Cecich (11) contributed with 16 points. "Zach probably ought to buy Kyle a steak dinner after the season," Coach Clint Swan said.

>> Three. In a 96-67 victory over Portage, Stephen Albrecht (11) scans the defense for an open teammate. Albrecht made six, three-point field goals in eight attempts. The team scored 61 points in the first-half alone, giving them their third straight win after losing the first four games.

>>Four. In a game against Lake Central, Zach Cecich (11) pulls down a rebound. Cecich served as the leading rebounder on the team and made first team all conference.

>>Five. Guarded in the corner by two LaPorte defenders, Billy Cox (11) drives towards the basket attempting to evade the double team. LaPorte won the game 64-58 and never lost the lead after going on a 12-2 run near the end of the third quarter. "My experience this season was a good one. We improved and exceeded our expectations," Billy said.

>>Six. Dribbling around his defender, Ben Derks (11) looks for an opportunity to score. Ben scored nine points, all of which were three-point field goals, in the 60-52 loss against Morton. The loss was the second in a four game losing streak. "Even though we lost our first four games, our coach told us that we weren't going to change a thing," Ben said. "So, we kept our same style and started playing better together, and once we won our first game, we had confidence to keep winning."

>>In the second game win against Chesterton, Aleks Alavirza (11) posts up against a defender. "We wanted to play 33 minutes of solid basketball each game," Aleks said. Crown Point defeated Chesterton twice during the regular season but lost in overtime in the first rounds of sectionals.

boys' basketball team overcomes odds, upsets number one team in the state

By Jacob Hoffman

"I would definitely consider beating our rival, Valparaiso, as the highlight of our season," junior Zach Cecich said.

Not only did the team defeat nearby conference rival Valparaiso, but a the same time it also defeated the *Times'* number one ranked high school team in Indiana's class 4A by a score of 59-55.

"Beating Valparaiso was awesome. It's rare beating the number one team in the state," Zach said.

Junior Stephen Albrecht had his highest offensive statistics of the season. After scoring ten points in the first half, Stephen scored 21 points in the second half giving him a game-high of 31 points. He didn't miss from behind the three-point line making all six of his attempts.

"The vibe from the crowd against Valparaiso inspired us to play even harder," Stephen said.

Afterwards, the crowd stormed the court to express their feelings after beating such a high-ranked opponent.

"It was crazy. Everyone was crazy. Everybody celebrated by running onto the court after the game," senior Fabian Aries said.

This was the second year that the team experienced a newcomer coach, Clint Swan. Another new addition to the team was senior Matt Ernest. He did not begin the season with the team, but joined mid-season over Christmas break.

"I came back to the team just because I missed playing basketball," Matt said.

Ironically, Matt's first game back came against Lake Central. Former Crown Point student and senior Dan Bouchee played for Lake Central. The team defeated the Indians 54-40 after losing to them earlier in the season.

In the seasonals, the team lost in overtime 65-60 to conference rival Chesterton. This was the third encounter throughout the season and the only game that Chesterton won of the three.

"It was a tough way to go out because we knew we could have beat them," Zach said.

Scoreboard

LaPorte 58-64
Hammond-
Morton 52-60
Lake Central 60-64
Valparaiso 50-74
Valparaiso 59-55
Griffith 63-32
Portage 96-67
Merrillville 68-63

Washington 47-54
Chesterton 69-64
Lake Central 57-40
Michigan City 59-64
EC Central 48-75
Chesterton 70-65
Boone Grove 76-61
Merrillville 60-42
LaPorte 67-61

Portage 69-71
Lowell 68-44
Michigan City 80-64
Chesterton (sect.) 65-70

Record: 12-8
DAC: 9-4
Sectionals: 0-1



>>One. On the verge of driving the lane, Mitchell Robinson (11) looks to score against LaPorte; he ended up with **two** points in the loss. "The season went well since we beat some of our rivals," Mitchell said.

>>Two. In his debut game against Lake Central, Matt Ernest (12) faces off against former Bulldog Dan Bouchee. Several students wore retro bulldog uniforms with Matt's name to show support for him. "We just love Matt Ernest and Crown Point Basketball," Joe Rediger (12) said.

Mitchell Robinson Matt Ernest

making the transition, freshman, jv basketball spend hour in practices, discover determination equals success

From running suicides to practicing free-throw shots, freshman and JV boy's basketball achieved many different aspects of practice, resulting in victory on the court.

"Practices are a lot different than they were at Taft [Middle School], but I believed through all our perseverance these practices have helped better us as a team," freshman Scott Donley said.

Running over two hours a day and learning plays from the varsity playbook, freshman players expanded their knowledge of what to do in certain game situations.

"We wanted to get them familiar with the offense that the varsity players would be running and have them learn some of those basic plays," freshman Coach Mike McMinn said.

Yet, JV practices were based on expanding their skills on speed and working with one another as a whole to meet the expectations for playing on the varsity level in the upcoming

years. JV was more focused on the ways to help achieve and make varsity better. If they didn't hustle to a drill they were required to run suicides.

"Our practices were usually intense and involved a lot of five-on-five shooting drills," sophomore Nick Thomas said.

While their practices were difficult, success was achieved with JV's two quality wins against their rival: Michigan City. Also, they won two out of three back-to-back double time games, which has never been accomplished.

This lifted their team moral which made their hard work worthwhile.

"I felt really comfortable playing with my team because I've been playing with them since sixth grade AAU," sophomore Nikola Pusara said.

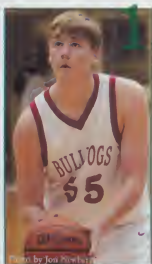
With a record of 12-8, JV proved that with determination team success can be reached.

>>One. Standing at 6'7", Nathaniel Akers (10) focuses on getting another point for his team. "This season I really focused in the post to score points to help us win," Nathaniel said.

>>Two. Attempting to get around his East Chicago opponent, Mike Lipton (10) dribbles. "We knew if we won the East Chicago game, then we would compete with the best teams," Mike said. Winning with only three points, the team accomplished their goal.

>>Three. Running down the court, Scott Donley (9) attempts to successfully make it down the court. "During the Merrillville game I was feeling a little tired because they kept trying to press us, but we made a comeback and almost won the game," Scott said. Scott scored a total of ten points.

>>Four. During the Kankakee Valley game, Zach Breuckman (9) shoots a free throw. "I felt good because we were winning, and I had scored 15 points that game," Zach said.



>>Passing the ball to another player, Kyle Qualizza (10) focuses on the play. "I made sure every time I was on the court that I gave it my all. Also, I tried my best to hustle during every single play," Kyle said. One of Kyle's accomplishments was achieving a record of nine rebounds



Kyle Qualizza





>>One. During the East Chicago game, Nikola Pusara (10) tries to find an open team member to pass the ball to. "We were the underdogs in this game, and I honestly didn't think we had a chance, but we played well as a team and just made the plays we had to," Nikola said. Advancing through the plays, this marked the boys **second** double over time game in one week.

>>Two. Standing in a triple-threat position, Jon Sergeant (10) gets ready to pass the ball to one of his fellow teammates. "I was very energetic during that game because I wanted revenge. During soccer they beat us 3-1," Jon said.

>>Three. Trying to pass the ball during the Kankakee Valley game, Mike Kessler (9) waits for team member Branko Bibic (9) to be open. "I was happy about this game's conclusion. This announced our **first** win and official game of the season. After that game, it made the team excited about our next one," Mike said.

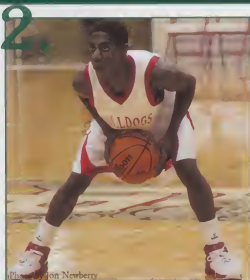


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Freshman

Lake Central	L	Portage	L
Valparaiso	L	Michigan City	L
Gary Roosevelt	L	Valparaiso	L
Michigan City	L	Chesterton	L
Merrillville	L	Lowell	L
Kankakee Valley	W	Merrillville	L
Portage	L	Lake Central	L
La Porte	L	Highland	W
Chesterton	W	Hanover Central	W
Lake Central	L	LaPorte	L

Scoreboard

La Porte	34-41
Hammond Morton	50-28
Lake Central	39-42
Valparaiso	26-46
Michigan City	45-38
Griffith	42-24
Portage	76-40
Merrillville	38-53
Hanover	68-28
Chesterton	40-35

Junior Varsity

Lake Central	29-31
Michigan City	48-45
East Chicago Central	37-34
Valparaiso	49-55
Boone Grove	41-21
Merrillville	40-50
LaPorte	40-47
Portage	48-40
Lowell	49-25
Chesterton	43-28

Freshman

Record: 4-16
DAC: 1-15

JV Record: 12-8

DAC: 6-14

>>One. Competing on the vault, Holly Shetter (10) concentrates on nailing her landing. Holly used the time before meets began in order to prepare herself mentally and physically. "I spent the time mostly trying to stay positive," Holly said. "I tried to think about how well I could do while getting pumped up with other girls on the team. We listened to techno music and danced around to get rid of some of our nerves." Preparations paid off when the girls placed second at the Chesterton Invite with a score of **108.45**

>>Two. After finishing up her vaulting, Samantha Zick (12) warms up on the bars. Although all the meets consisted of the same rotation of events, many of the girls had their favorites. "My favorite meet was the Hobart meet because I received a **9.05** on beam from Kathy Holland, one of the area's strictest judges," Samantha said.

>>Three. In her warm up suit, Amanda Halsted (10), along with her teammates and trainers, size up the competition. "My favorite team to compete against was LaPorte. We are all very close to the girls on the team, and many of us have become friends," Amanda said. "Even though we are ranked near each other, the competitions are fun, and I've found myself cheering on the LaPorte girls as well as those on my own team." The team defeated LaPorte by **85** of a point.

>>Four. Warming up on the bars, Martina Buchholz (12) takes time to go through her routine before competing. Although the girls competed in a number of meets throughout the season, each girl had their favorites. "I loved sectionals because I was runner-up in the all-around," Martina said. Martina was the **first** CP gymnast to receive the Mildred Ball Mental Attitude Award. She was also named to the Indiana Gymnastics Academic All-star team.



Stimulating gymnast Kloe Belsky (10) is between flips. Her floor performance helped the girls defeat LaPorte Central by **21.775** points. Kloe was one of the girls on the gymnastics team who balanced their time between cheerleading and gymnastics practices. "The strength I gained from gymnastics helped me with my stunts and tumbling," Kloe said.



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pairing high goals with higher records, gymnasts achieve more than just recognition

By Meghan Frost

Standing alone on the runway, all eyes in her direction, senior Martina Buchholz took a deep breath before sprinting down towards the vault. Martina had her own strategy for clearing her head.

"During the meets, I would take a moment and visualize what I was about to do before I competed in an event," Martina said.

At first glance, this kind of concentration might have seemed impossible. The constant rotation between vault, bars, beam, and floor events could have made any first time spectator confused, but after a closer look the meet's organization was easy to understand.

"Each school competed in different events at different times and our top gymnasts competed last," sophomore Amanda Halsted said. "Once the two teams were done with their event, they rotated until all four events had been completed."

Mastering these four different events often required the girls to work on their skills in the off-season as well as during the year.

"I spent the off-season attending classes at Midwest Training Center for both gymnastics and tumbling," senior Samantha Zick said.

Others dedicated part of their summer to this time

consuming sport.

"I spent my summer at a gymnastics camp in northern Wisconsin for two weeks," Martina said.

All of their hard work paid off in the post season as the girls finished with a 7-2 record and continued their success by placing 3rd in sectionals and then advancing to regionals for the second time in the school's history.

"The team finished 3rd with a score of 109.925, the second highest in the school's history, breaking a record from 2005," head coach Ami Pysh said.

While attending the state finals meet, the team received an honor of a different kind. They wrapped up the awards ceremony with Martina winning the Mildred Ball Mental Attitude Award.

"It was a very prestigious award that carried a \$1000 scholarship," Pysh said. "Only one athlete per sport was chosen at each of their state final competitions for the award, and Martina was the first Crown Point gymnast to ever receive this honor."

Finally, the season ended with Martina and Hilary Groff being named to the gymnastics Academic All-state Team for the state of Indiana. They were two of the nine girls from the entire state to receive this recognition.

Scoreboard

	V/V		V/V
LaPorte	W,W	Merrillville	W,W
Valparaiso	L,W	Lowell	W,W
Chesterton	L,L	Hobart	W,W
Portage	W,W	Chesterton Invite	2nd
Lake Central	W,W	Michigan City	W,W

Record 7-2

DAC: 5-2

Sectionals: 3rd

Regionals: 3rd

>>Executing her bar routine. Jaclyn Cannon (10) concentrates on making her next move. It was important for the girls to stay focused on their event and not get distracted by their opposing team in order to gain a high score. Along with receiving high scores, many of the girls set goals for themselves to reach by the end of the season. "My favorite memory from being a member of the varsity team was seeing myself letter," Jaclyn said. "It was an amazing feeling." Jaclyn's efforts helped the girls end the year with an impressive 5-2 record in the DAC.

Jaclyn Cannon

>> One. With her teammates providing encouragement, Elizabeth Maxwell (10) performs her floor exercise routine. She took extra time outside of scheduled practices in order to polish her style and technique. "I spent time in the preseason at Gymnastics Plus and took lessons there during the summer," Elizabeth said. "I also went to open gym twice a week and spent time jogging and doing abdominal workouts." Elizabeth enjoyed making it to the regional team finals, where the team finished third with a record breaking score of **109.925**.

>>One. Before the first face off, Mike Kekelick (11), Mike Murphy (11), Scott Bening (Marian Catholic), Chris Gallagher (Marian Catholic) and Brad Kerrick (Lowell), discuss the game plan among the five of them. "When the teammates got upset, we would tell them to get a box of tissues, and they would be up in an instant laughing," Mike Kekelick said.

>>Two. With concentration on her position, Ceara Brown (10) approaches her bowling lane. "Staying focused and believing in your team is very important; that's how we placed 8th in state," Ceara said.

>>Three. Taking a face off, Andy Yokovich (10) plans to draw the puck back to the defense. "It was not how hard you could hit; it was about how hard you could keep from getting hit and keep moving forward," Andy said. Andy played in 26 regular season games.



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>>Three. At the end of practice before another meet against Lake Central, Leslie Wilcox (12) mentally prepares herself as she cleans her ball. "They have been able to beat us for the last two years and we finally got them," she said.

Photo by Nicole Chromey



>>Four. Giving a pole check, Kyle Gorman (11) uses the blade of his stick to flick the puck off the stick of his opponent. "You just had to pop, lock and pop it," Kyle said. Kyle recorded 30 regular season game points.

adjusting to new coaches, team chemistry increases, leading hockey to state championship title

By Nicole Chromey

"We threw our hockey stick and gloves into the air in a joyous fashion, while screaming," senior Mike Kmiec said. "It was a dream come true."

For Mike and the other guys on the team, "It felt amazing," junior Dave Corridan said.

Playing in the Indiana Class 3A State Championship, the boys' hockey team overcame Fort Wayne Snider with a victory score of 5-3, earning them the first place title.

As a new coach took over the season and assisted the team to the state championship, they adjusted accordingly.

"We learned how to settle our differences and play as a team," Mike said.

The bowling teams also adjusted as a teammate's parents decided to take over the coaching staff and lead them to the state competition.

Junior bowler Matt Reuhl's parents, Dave and Karen, took over the coaching positions for the

boys' and girls' bowling teams.

"Having their son on the team was like having another coach," senior Jeff Stephan said. "He was a helpful insight for the team."

"The Reuhl's had been coaching for a long time, and they knew more about bowling than anyone I knew," Megan said. "To be able to listen to their advice was a major step up."

Megan and her teammates took advantage of this new opportunity. After conquering the Lake Central Indians in sectionals and winning the title, the girls advanced to semi-state. However, their biggest challenge was to come. For the first time in history, the girls' bowling team made it to the state competition earning an 8th place.

With new coaches and new competitions, the team attributed their success to an increased level of team chemistry.

"We all helped each other out and learned from each other's mistakes," Megan said, "We just had a better mind-set."

>>One. Setting up a formation with teammate Anthony Davis (Hanover Central) breaking out. Dan Mehay (11) stalls with the puck in the corner. "My main focus was to make it back down the ice," Dan said, "and I knew I had to dangle everyone in sight in order to score." Anthony Davis remained along side his teammate Dan as Dan attempted for the goal. "I had to stay around incase he needed me for back up," Anthony said. Dan Mehay recorded **32** points for the team.

Scoreboard

Hockey:	
Lake Central	5-3, 0-5
Plainfield	7-0
SB St. Joe	8-5
SB Clay	5-0
SB Adams	8-1
SB Marian	4-3, 3-4
Valparaiso	5-2
Ft. Wayne Snider	2-3, 5-3
Ft. Wayne Northside	4-4
Portage	4-0, 6-2, 7-1
Lakeshore	5-1
Kalamazoo Eagles	6-2
Kalamazoo Blades	6-5, 1-3
Cary Grove	5-8
Columbus	4-5, 5-4
Bloomington	6-5, 6-1
SB Penn (gold)	4-4
SB Riley	4-6
Munster	5-5, 3-3
HSE	5-4
Bloomington	6-1
Indy South Stars	4-6, 6-6
New Haven	9-0
Park Tudor	6-4
Boys' Bowling:	
Sectional Qualifiers	Sectional Qualifiers
Regional Qualifiers	Regional Qualifiers
Semi-State Qualifiers	Semi-State Qualifiers
State Qualifiers	State Qualifiers
Girls' Bowling:	
Sectional Qualifiers	Sectional Qualifiers
Regional Qualifiers	Regional Qualifiers
Semi-State Qualifiers	Semi-State Qualifiers
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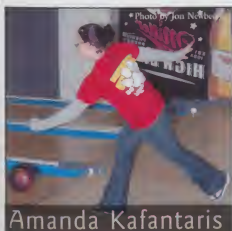


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>>At an evening practice, Amanda Kafantaris (11) follows through down the lane releasing her ball in hopes to improve her bowling average for the next team's meet. "All we had to do was believe in each other and we could accomplish any goal at hand," Amanda said. Believing in herself led her to her best game score, which totaled to **265 points.**



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>>Two. With the puck close to him, Mike Murphy (11) scans the ice for help from an open teammate. "It was really important to keep your head up and make sure you were about to pass to the right person," Mike said. "The last thing you wanted was to give the puck to a person on the other team and miss out on a goal opportunity." With his own advice in mind, Mike recorded **24** goals.



>>Three. In order to project his ball further down the alley, Justin Kaminski (11) takes a stance and tries for another strike. "I was consistent with my ball, and that's what you had to do in order to strike," Justin said, "and that's exactly what I tried to do." On the last practice the night before the state competition, Justin came up one strike short of a perfect game. This left his ending game total a **299**

yelling down court, chanting together "we're number one" players unite as one

Sports were usually classified as a learning experience, but according to Coach Chuck Smoljan (Business), the players taught him more than he taught them about the sport of basketball.

"The players taught me so much. They taught me how to stay optimistic, and that whenever I had a bad day, it was not that bad compared to what they have to deal with daily," Smoljan said. "They were great people, and they seemed to have everything right."

Between the different seasons, the Special

Olympics team made many positive changes.

"There were so many differences between the seasons. They had become more team-oriented and passed the ball around, and although they did not have a winning season, they learned more about the sport," Smoljan said.

Although the Special Olympics Basketball team did not end with a winning season, scores did not matter at all to the team.

"I thought our season went really well. I had a lot of fun," Miranda Neuman said.



>>One. Angela Baltzersen attempts to pass the ball to her teammate Rob Thurman while playing Lowell during the Special Olympics Basketball Tournament.

>>Two. With two minutes left on the clock, Chenoah Partin steals the basketball from the opposing Lowell player.

>>Three. After Lowell scores a two-point basket, Jon Wheeler receives the ball from the referee before he goes to pass the ball to Miranda Neuman.

>>Four. Miranda Neuman dribbles the ball down the court during practice for the Annual Special Olympics Basketball Tournament. "I normally scored about ten to twelve points a game," Miranda said.

>>Five. During the Annual Special Olympics Basketball Tournament, Rob Thurman takes a deep breath as he prepares to shoot the ball.





>>One. Sammy Balicki attempts to pick up a ball with his foot. "One time, he made a basket and scored two points, and it was like he won the world championship," Coach Chuck Smoljan said.

>>Two. Emily Ulrich, Rob Thurman, and Ryan Gagliardi jump to steal the ball. Special Olympics Basketball practice was held in the gym once a week on Tuesday.

>>Three. Coach Chuck Smoljan gathers the Rob Thurman, Dustin Kartuska, Cassie Veljanoski, and Sammy Balicki into a huddle for some inspirational advice. "Dustin always wanted to play during practice, but never during the game. I always tried to encourage him to get in the game, but one time I said "cupcake" and he just started cracking up. He never did play until the last game," Coach Chuck Smoljan said.

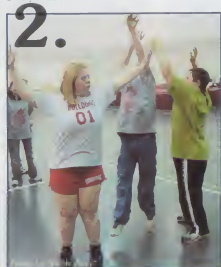




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>>One. In between opponents, Maggie Schwuchow (10) races along. "I joined track because I wanted one of the track sweatshirts at Taft," Maggie joked. Maggie ran the 800 meter in **2:46.17**.

>>Two. At a home meet against Merrillville, Hayley Plummer (10) jumps to victory. "Accomplished is what I felt, because I could run a lot longer and faster than a lot of people," Hayley said. Hayley won the 100 meter-hurdles with a time of **17.25** seconds. "The best part about being in track was the rush you get while you were racing," she said.

>>Three. During a home meet, Leah Rashin (11) flies past her opponent. "Track was being able to test yourself and see how far you could go because track was just about your individual abilities and athleticism. It could be taught, but it really was all what you were able to do," Leah said. Leah ran the 400 meter in **58.27** seconds, and the 200 in **26.67**.

>>Four. Running it alone, Winter Menees (9) speeds up the pace. "Track was a fun sport, and it kept me in shape," Winter said. Winter took the 100 meter in **15.18** seconds. "Coach Kinner was awesome, and she really drove me to do better, and Coach Smith was a good person to go to for advice," she said.

>>Five. Using all of her strength, Stephanie Vaca (12) throws the shot. Stephanie threw her furthest at **29-6.5**. "I joined track because Coach Croell was the track coach, and I had him for History. Track gave me a chance to be competitive and enjoy myself at the same time," Stephanie said.

>>Six. Jumping high, Alexis Villarreal's (10) legs reach across the bar. In the pole vault, Alexis received an **8-0**, reaching second place on her team. "Track is a sport where everyone can participate in something. It was fun for me because you met new people and had fun while doing it," Alexis said.



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small distances, great accomplishments

varsity, junior varsity girls take to track

By Olivia Abbott

Taking fifth in the regionals and the DAC, and second in sectionals, the Girls' Track team ended the season with five girls competing at State.

During regionals, junior Leah Rashin qualified for state competition in two events, junior Meghan Kessler in two, and junior Stacy Qualizza, junior Jenn Bane, senior Kyla Renn, and freshman Sammy Vercellino qualified in one event. All six athletes who participated in the state meet in Bloomington metale.

Not only were there State qualifiers and winners, but the girls broke school records individually and in relay events. In the 4x800 they ran a 9:46.91, in the 4x400 a 3:56.73 and in the 4x100 a 52.39. Junior Stacy Qualizza along with the 4x4 team broke school records.

"Breaking the school record was amazing," Stacy Qualizza said, "I never thought we could do something like that; it's going to be exciting to see who breaks it next."

The season's best also included senior Martina Bucholz for pole vaulting, junior

Hayley Plummer for the 100-meter hurdles, senior Kyla Renn for 100-meter dash, and freshman Nicole Vega for the 3200 meter.

The team reported that making friends along the way was a definite boost. With a total of fifty-five girls all ranging in ages, there were many personalities to choose from.

"I enjoyed running with my friends, and I enjoyed coming to practice after school," sophomore Maggie Schuchow said. "The best part about being in track was being around my friends and competing in meets."

Who made all of this possible? The coaches, according to the team. Mark Croell, the head coach and the assistants: Patty Begley, Melissa Smith, Elizabeth Kinneer, and Ryan Turley led the team.

"Mr. Croell was an amazing motivator, and he uplifted the whole team. Ms. Kinneer taught us the specifics and made sure we have our stuff together, and Ms. Begley was always there to talk to, and she had so much experience as a runner and a coach," junior Leah Rashin said. -By Olivia Abbott

Scoreboard

Portage	85-47	Chesterton	41-91
LaPorte	81-50	Portage Relays	4th
Merrillville	73-59	Michigan City	78-54
Lake Central	44-88	Valpo	48-84

DAC: 5th place

Sectionals: 2nd 132.5

Regionals: 5th

**State: 4x4- 2nd, Shot put
-7th, High Jump- 8th**

>>Leading her opponents, long distance runner Ashley Morfin (10) sets her pace for the finish line. "I liked to run, it lets me in shape and some of my good friends were in track," Ashley said. Ashley ran in **2:43:23** for the 800 meter.



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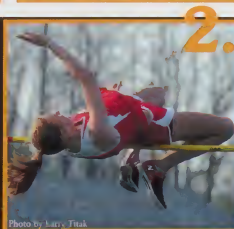


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>>**One.** Reaching ahead, Meghan Kessler (11) breaks her school's record in shot put with a **42-5.5** throw. "The support I got from other coaches, my coaches, my team, and other throwers was unbelievable," Meghan said.

>>**Two.** Going over the bar, Stacy Qualizza (11) breaks her school's record in high jump during the season at **5-6.25**. "I participated in track at Taft and I really enjoyed it," Stacy said.

**Meghan Kessler
Stacy Qualizza**



>>One. Making his approach in the pole vaulting event, Rodney Watson (11) concentrates on where to place the pole. "I joined track to show how hard I could work and how high I could jump" said Rodney. "I enjoyed pushing myself to the limit when I was high jumping." Rodney's highest recorded jump was 5' 2"

>>Two. Making his highest jump of 6' 3" Chris Wells (11) soars past his own record. "I think the best part of track and field was going to regionals because I could show how hard I had worked."

>>Three. Jumping 21' 10" Randy Hudi (11) comes in first at the Kokomo Relays. "The best part of track was getting to see all my friends," said Hudi. Randy took 1st place in long jump at the regionals.

>>Four. As Stephen Williams (12) takes his warm-up shot at the Portage meet, he tries a different technique to prepare. "When I threw the shot put with both hands, it helped me warm up my entire body before I threw for real." His best throw was 52' 10" for the season. He placed 3rd at the regionals.

>>Five. Placing the shot put in the correct position, Zachary Konway (9) prepares to throw. "I joined track hoping to gain strength and endurance. I ended up having a lot of fun." Zack's longest recorded shot put throw was 30' 4".

>>Six. Matt Fronek (11) runs for the finish against several other competing racers. The best thing about track and field was getting to hang with friends, getting into shape and getting to chill with Coach Sargent." Matt ran at 12.16 on his 100-meter and 10.7 on the 200-meter.

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boys' track team takes sectionals, places 6th in regionals, sends two to state

By Joey McColley

Track and Field, a sport of individual accomplishments allowed teammates to access their own abilities separately while still being part of a team.

"What made track and field stand out was having individual events and competing against others for a personal best along with the team's best," freshman Zachary Konway said.

"No matter what, you knew (in track) you won or lost because of yourself and no one else," junior Jerry Hendrickson said. "You also developed a more open mind about other people's talents and abilities," he added.

While some students joined the team to improve their skills for another sport, others loved getting in shape and being part of a team.

"I wanted to get faster for football," said Miles Oney.

"The best thing about track and field was getting to hang with your friends, getting into shape, and getting to chill with coach Andy Sargent," junior Matt Fronek said.

On occasion, the team enjoyed the usual

prank or a practical joke.

"One time (Sean) Harrison ate a rock and a track spike," sophomore Anthony Stahl said.

"So many humorous things happened during the whole year, I just can't remember all of the things that happened," said freshman Tommy Roseberry.

My favorite memory was when Jerry Hendrickson jumped into a flooded long jump pit, said freshman Zachary Konway.

Although the team enjoyed times at play, they reported being serious when they needed to be.

"Winning was the whole reason we went to practices," sophomore Ben Malott said.

The team proved just how serious they could be winning sectionals and placing in regionals. Junior Randi Hudi placed first in the long jump and 5th in the 100-meter, and senior Steve Williams placed 3rd in shot put.

"I think the best part was going to regionals because we could show how hard we had worked," junior Chris Wells said.

Scoreboard

LaPorte 70.5-58.5
Portage 66-65
Merrillville 45-87
Lake Central 73-59
Chesterton 83-49
Michigan City 101-31
Valparaiso 50-82

Proviso Pirate Classic
Lake Cen. 9/10 Invite
Talon Relays
Kokomo Relays
DAC Championship
Frosh-Soph DAC

14th
1st
3rd
1st
4th
3rd

Record: 5-2
DAC: 5-2
Sectionals: 1st
Regionals: 6th
Randi Hudi 1st
Steve Williams 3rd



>>Seven. Hurdle after hurdle, Mike Bishop (9) hurled himself faster and higher to beat his own time. "I ran track to get into shape for football," said Mike. "I ran the hurdles because it was a good experience." He pushed himself to run at **\$6.942** on the hundred-meter hurdles.

>>Eight. "Throwing discus helps me to relieve stress," said Cody Blue (11). "It also gave me a chance to meet new people." Putting his stress into it pays off as he gets a third, throwing **126' 8"**.

Mike Bishop
Cody Blue

>>One. Swinging through her backhand, Chelsea Viers (9) concentrates on the ball. "I loved meeting new people and getting to know the coaches," Chelsea said. Chelsea ended with a winning record of **7-6**

>>Two. Eleni Zervos (10) watches as her doubles partner Sarah Steffel (10) uses a backhand stroke to hit the ball. "I liked playing doubles because you had more confidence when you had someone with you all the time, and they brought up when you are not doing so hot," Eleni said. This was Eleni and Sarah's **first** year to play together.

>> Three. While playing varsity doubles, Sara Griffis (12) watches as her partner, Beth Iddings (12) executes a volley. "Some of my favorite memories would be the conversations that I had with Shelly Kiefer and Sara Griffis," Beth said. The team practiced Monday through Friday, for a total of **ten** hours per week.



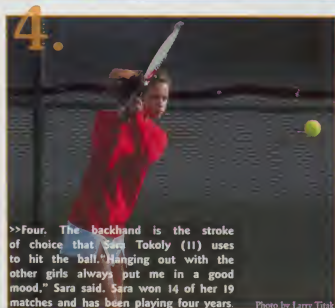
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>>Four. The backhand is the stroke of choice that Sara Tokoly (11) uses to hit the ball. "Hanging out with the other girls always put me in a good mood," Sara said. Sara won 14 of her 19 matches and has been playing four years.

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>>Five. Playing with doubles partner Chelsea Gora (10), Needa Malik (9) returns a volley. "My favorite match was against Chesterton. My partner and I were losing 3-7 but we ended up winning," Needa said.

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between hits, misses young tennis team brings home sectional title takes 2nd at regionals

By Sammy Vercellino

The girls' tennis team could be described as being a young team, but this notion did not discourage them, and with help from their head coach, Don Baron, they earned yet another sectional title.

"Even though we were expected to win sectionals, there were still some really intense matches. I still wanted to go out and support my team and watch some exciting competitive matches," freshman Needa Malik said.

Along with the memory of a sectional title, the girls' tennis season was filled with memorable matches. The LaPorte Slicers, who are characterized as being a rival of theirs, was a team that many girls hoped to beat. Victory was sweet for senior April Gosser when she defeated her LaPorte rival in her varsity singles match.

"My opponent and I have known each other for years and there's a huge rivalry between us. I ended up winning 6-0, 6-2,"

April said.

Another win against LaPorte came from Beth Iddings and Sarah Griffith.

"LaPorte had to be my favorite match because my partner, Sarah, and I beat their number one doubles team in an exciting match," Beth said.

Junior Maria Radicska felt her best match was against LaPorte, too.

"Although, I lost my match, I played my best and gave it my all. Also, I had my whole tennis team cheering me on at that match which was a big plus. So, LaPorte was my favorite match because I played with heart, guts, and a lot of intensity," Maria said.

Many players agreed that even though they lost as a team to the LaPorte Slicers, everyone played their finest tennis that match.

"LaPorte was my favorite match because that was the best our team had played," April said.

>>One. Becca Iddings (9) uses the forehand stroke to hit the ball across the net to the opposing team during her doubles match. "The Merrillville JV Invitational with the 'love bus' and the down time with the team had to be some of my favorite memories this season," Becca said. Becca played JV doubles with her partner Hanna Tokoly, but received the chance to play in a one varsity doubles match during the season. Once matches started, the team spent about 10 to thirteen hours together per week.



Dana Andreoli

>>Once the ball has been served over, JV player Dana Andreoli (10) uses the ground stroke to return the tennis ball. "The very last match of the season against Andrean had to be my favorite match because I won in a tiebreaker 7-4. It was a really close and stressful match," Dana said.



>>Two. In order to provide power behind her serve, April Gosser (12) uses her whole body while serving the ball. "Before matches I would eat a sandwich and relax. After, I would warm up really well in order to get my heart rate going and also help warm up the other girls, too," April said. April ended with a record of 10-4 and was awarded team MVP.



>>Three. Playing number three singles, Maria Radicska (11) serves the ball cross court to her opponent. "Some of my favorite memories came from the long bus rides to and from the matches. My teammates and I would always laugh and joke around," Maria said. Maria won 11 of her 15 singles matches.

Scoreboard

Munster	L	0-5
Hobart	W	4-1
Highland	W	4-1
Lake Central	W	4-1
Griffith	W	4-1
Rensselaer	W	5-0
Valparaiso	W	4-1
Merrillville	W	4-1
Kankakee Valley	W	5-0
Portage	W	4-1
Michigan City	L	0-5
Lowell	W	4-1
Chesterton	L	2-3
LaPorte	L	2-3
Andrean	W	4-1
Hanover Central	W	5-0
Kankakee Valley	W	4-1
Whiting	W	5-0
Munster	L	0-5

Record: 14-5

DAC: 4-3

Sectionals: 1st

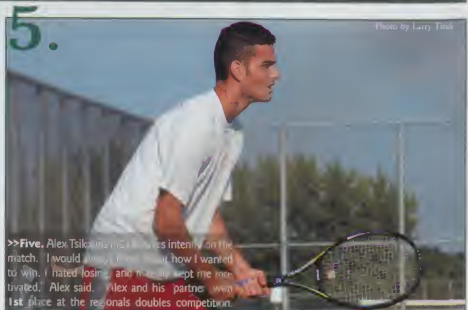
Regionals: 2nd

JV Record: 9-5

>>One. Between sets, Coach Don Baron offers a bit of advice for doubles player Andrew Peretin (12). After five years, coach Baron decided to resign from coaching the boys team.

>>Two. Nick Maddalone (12) lunges forward toward the ball in the Chesterton match. "Tennis was so much fun because all of the team members were good friends, even outside of school and sports," Nick said. Nick played doubles with his close friend, Alex Tsikounis (12). They agreed that the season was very possibly their best because they advanced to state as part of the final sixteen.

>>Three. The only underclassman on varsity, Chase Korzeniewski, (10) uses a forehand stroke to smash the ball across the net. "Before every game, I would take time to consider the hits I would need to make. It really took time to sit down and prepare myself for each match," he said.



seven varsity seniors, spend **four years** together, earn winning season, send doubles team to state

By Devin Holme

For four memorable years, they worked together, shared in each victory and loss, and built up their ability and skill as a team.

"We had seven seniors on varsity, so we went through the whole four years working together. We were really excited about the season," senior Kyle Smith said.

Some were even further inspired simply by the fact it was their last year.

"Being my last year, I really wanted to do well. I knew I'd miss all of my good friends on the team, and I wanted to make this year count," senior Nick Maddalone said.

It wasn't just the final year for every member of the boys' varsity team, but for the beloved Coach Don Baron (Social Studies) as well. After five years of coaching boys' tennis, he made the decision to coach exclusively for the girls' tennis team.

"Mr. Baron was a great coach. He knew what he was doing, and I liked how he en-

couraged us to be competitive," Nick said.

For two players especially, the hard work and encouragement paid off. Senior doubles partners Nick Maddalone and Alex Tsikouris won the doubles competition at regionals and advanced to the state competition. However, the doubles team lost in three matches to a team from Plymouth on October 14.

"I got to play with my best friend, and we played really well together. We thought alike and our games really complemented each other," Alex said.

Overall, as the teammates finished their final season, they said they would miss playing the sport, as well the time spent together.

"Even though we didn't always meet our expectations, we worked hard, and I think we will be able to look back and be proud of what we accomplished together," Kyle said.

>>One. In a strategic move, Max Weiss (10) taps the ball a few short inches across the net. "I always tried to remain focused, and I was determined to keep up and win that point," Max said. Max played on the junior varsity team. Not only did he remain dedicated to tennis, but to school as well maintaining a 4.0 grade point average. In addition, Max demonstrated his commitment in the offseason by working with a tennis instructor at Match Point Tennis and Fitness facility in Griffith.



>>Two. Working together, Andrew Peretin (12) and Jacob Hoffman (12) play a doubles match. "Peretin and I remembered both our good and bad matches in order to keep us motivated," Jacob said. Andrew and Jacob started off the season at the one doubles position. However, upon the arrival of Fabian Aries-Hidalgo (12), Andrew and Jacob were asked to play the number two doubles spot for the team.



>>Three. With a backhand return, Fabian Aries (12) places the ball in his opponent's court. "I played tennis as a child, and I just started playing again," Fabian said. "I had fun playing on the team because it also helped me to meet and become friends with more people." Visiting the United States for the first time, Fabian was a foreign exchange student from Ecuador. He lived with fellow teammate Alex Tsikouris (12).

Scoreboard

Andrean	3-2
Chesterton	4-1
Valparaiso	2-3
Highland	4-1
LaPorte	4-1
Merrillville	4-1
Lowell	2-3
Lake Central	4-1
Portage	5-0
Hobart	5-0
Michigan City	2-3
Munster	0-5
East Chicago	5-0
Rensselaer	5-0
Lowell	2-3

Varsity Record 10-5

DAC 5-2

JV Record 9-4



Tom Tokoly

>>Completing a backhand slice, Tom Tokoly (12) attempts to volley the ball back to his opponent. "It was disappointing to finish the way our team finished, but I still enjoyed my senior year on the team," Tom said. Tom played number one singles. He was also a team co-captain. They ended their season 10-5.

junior varsity, varsity softball teams unite first time players, underclassmen play along side seniors

By Nicole Chromey

As the list went up on Mrs. Holtz's door, the girls knew there was nothing else they could do; the decisions had been made after three days of intense tryouts.

"The tryouts were intense and nerve wracking for me," freshman Katrina Kuiper said.

After the list was posted, Katrina and the other freshman assigned to the team could finally breathe.

"I was definitely so relieved and excited to just start the season," Katrina Kuiper said.

Freshman Katrina Klingberg made it through tryouts and earned a spot on varsity.

"The tryouts were really fun and kind of nerve wracking since I had to try out in front of a new coach, but I kept my thoughts positive," Katrina Klingberg said.

Thirteen freshman, including both Katrina's, made the girls' softball team for their first experience on the field as high school softball players. Along side the freshman, were nine sophomores, five juniors, and three seniors.

"We all got really close and had such a passion for softball,"

sophomore Kaitlyn Hultz said.

First time players did not linger only among freshmen. Senior Andjalina Obradovic, also known as Lina, made this season her first attempt for a team position. Lina had not participated on a softball team since the summer before her freshman year.

"I was definitely nervous because I had not picked up a bat or glove in over three years," Lina said.

Lina played since she was four years old but came to a decision to put her love for the game on hold.

"I was going through a lot, and I just wanted to start concentrating on one sport, so I chose basketball instead," Lina said.

After three years of no activity on the field, Lina began to realize why she should seize the opportunity and try out for the team her last year.

"I missed playing the game," Lina said, "so I decided, why not go out for the team, I really had nothing to lose."

Lina ended her last year as a first-year varsity player.

>>One. On **second** base, Amber Pierce (11) steps down and proceeds to make her way to home plate. "Coach always told us to get a good jump and we would always be safe," Amber said.

>>Two. Pitching against Morgan Township, Taylor Perry (10) strikes out her opponent for the **second** time. "I just looked forward to improving my pitching skills at each game," Taylor said.

>>Three. Down the field, Kelsey Rather (10), Amy Fairchild (11), Anna Stephens (12), and Alison Adank (11) followed by **ten** other members of varsity, congratulate the opposing team. "Winning wasn't everything, attitude was," Amy said.

>>Four. At bat, Anna Stephens (12) positions herself at home plate. "When I was at bat I tried to relax and play the game **one** pitch at a time," Anna said.



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Amiee Favia

>>Positioned in right field. Amiee Favia (11) catches the ball coming towards her. "I got a lot of action out there," Amiee said. "It was very fast paced." I have been playing softball since I was **four** years old," she said.



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>>One. While a teammate hits the ball into the outfield, Heather Robison (12) slides into **third** base. "The best part of the game was getting back -to-back triples," Heather said. Triples were when **one** play consisted of **three** outs.

>>Two. In her shortstop position, Bianca Ramirez (9) completes her throw to **first** base. "Shortstop was a really fun position because that was where most of the action happened," Bianca said. "Jumping and diving for the ball was the best."

>>Three. Going into splits to beat the runner, Lindsay Gernenz (11) receives a ball from the **third** baseman. "Splits hurt pretty bad, but it felt so good to know you caught the ball for the team," Lindsey said.



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Photo by Ben Greenberg

Junior Varsity

Hohart	2-1	Laporte	4-13
New Prairie	12-2	Michigan City	11-1
Michigan City	11-1	Lake Central	1-2
Portage	6-9	Valparaiso	11-4
Munster	8-20	Chesterton	4-3
Lake Central	0-9	Hammond Morton	10-6
Valparaiso	8-5	Merrillville	9-3
North Newton	15-0	Laporte	13-17
Lowell	5-9	South Bend Riley	3-5
Chesterton	2-6	Highland	18-4
Merrillville	16-4	Hanover Central	7-2

Scoreboard

JV
Record: 13-9
DAC: 2-5
Varsity
Record: 16-14
DAC: 10-7

Junior Varsity

Hohart	15-2	Michigan City	8-11
New Prairie	3-7	Portage	8-1
Hammond Morton	2-1	Morgan Township	7-8
Michigan City	3-2	Morgan Township	11-18
Portage	10-5	Lake Central	9-8
West Central	1-3	Valparaiso	5-4
Lake Central	2-4	Chesterton	15-5
Valparaiso	9-0	Hammond Morton	10-0
North Newton	3-2	Merrillville	6-2
Lowell	19-7	LaPorte	10-3
Chesterton	2-0	Boone Grove	2-4
Merrillville	13-5	South Bend Riley	1-2
LaPorte	7-3	Highland	3-4
Elkhart Central	15-5	Hanover Central	2-0
		Merrillville	8-0



>>One. Preparing for the play, Nick Hladek (11) focuses on his game. "I was really upset when we finally lost against Chesterton after 15 wins, but it took the pressure of being undefeated off our shoulders," Nick said.

>>Two. Up to bat, Tim Mummery (12) attempts to help out his team. "All of the hard work and time we put in this year led to a successful season and hopefully a long post-season," Tim said. All season Tim batted either **first second** or **third** in the lineup.

>> Three. Playing the position of first baseman, Blake Mascarello (11) takes a throw from the pitcher. "I played baseball since I was four years old. It was always a very big part of my life; I was grateful to have the opportunity to play with such a great team," Blake said. Blake obtained **16** runs.

>>Four. Backing up to make a catch, Russell Chick (11) focuses on the ball. "I played the position of outfielder; I played left field," Russell had a record of **five** stolen bases and an overall fielding percentage of **0.947**.

>>Five. Standing at the plate, Jon Sertich (12) prepares to bat. "As a senior I felt that it was finally my turn to lead the team. I did my best to make being on the team a great experience for everyone," Jon said. Jon made **21** runs in-season.



>>During the April 16th game against Merrillville, Chris Sertich (12) pitches the ball. "Before each game began, I liked to throw around 35 pitches or so to warm up and be as ready possible," Chris said. Chris also had a **0.960** overall fielding percentage.



Team Pictures



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2.



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5.

- >> one. Nick Hladek (11).
- >> two. Max Weiss (10).
- >> three. Ashley Collins (11), Andjela Tarailo (10), Rachel Kolavo (10), Sadie Williams (12).
- >> four. Varsity Dance Team.
- >> five. Hockey Team.

Girls' Swimming & Diving

Front Row: Lauren Stokoski, Anita Del Hierro, Rachel Smith, Ashley Lionberger, Rachel Kolavo, Casey Taylor, Morgan Kleinaman.

Middle Row: Kelsey Drasga, Ashley Gose, Nicky Way, Amanda Lukawski, Antonia Fackler, Aly Kuras, Kara McIver, Gabi Laboski, Coach Bryan Trippier

Back Row: Hanley Russell, Audra Langbehn, Angela Roberts, Sam LaMantia, Stephanie Reeve, Molly Raspopovich, Marcy Kerr, Tina Markoski, Coach Bryon Angerman, Saja Obradovic.



Left to right: Head Coach Doug Norris, Justin Golob, Katie Nieman, Assistant Coach Laura Lorenz, Stephen Hubbell, Jeremy Boyer, Jeremy Adler, Kyle Snow, Derek Vajda, Chris Craft, Zach Henderson, Shawn McFarland, Manager Dominique Dvojacki, Taylor Baran, Andres Poplawski, Brad Stallings, Jake Kryda, Chris Gruenhagen, Matt Weissbradley, Josh McCollom, Anssi Sepponen, Dan Feller, Jimmy Page, Matt Kukurugya, Brendan Morin, Jeremy Kaiser, Mike Cacovski, Josh Glass, Dan Julius, Matt Smith, Seth Hofer, Andrew Bagnara, Maciej Sepiol.

Boys' Swimming & Diving



Front Row: Scott Rykovich, Eli Kvachkoff, Blake Sheffer, Mike Kessler, Jonathan Waspi, Chris Klein, Tony Patrick, Manny Hudson.

Middle Row: Scott Donley, Christian Ahearn, Nick Sunajac, Coach Dan McMinn, Coach Brandon Shawhan, Mark Rothrock, Travis Pace.

Back Row: Branko Bibic, Andrew Pals, Zach Breuckman, Jeff Limbaugh, Logan Louttit, Branden Benton.

Freshman Boys' Basketball



IV Boys' Basketball



Front Row: Dustin Hunt, CJ Mantel, Brady Schuster, Mike Lipton, Kyle Qualizza, Jon Sergeant.

Middle Row: Manager Brice Anderson, Coach Andy Sargent, Manager Paul Otte, Manager Adam Nowak.

Back Row: Nick Thomas, Nathaniel Akers, Nikola Pusara.

Varsity Boys' Basketball



Front Row: Dustin Hunt, Ben Derks, Steve Albrecht, Derrick Garletts, Mitchell Robinson, Zach Cecich, Kyle Hanaway, Billy Cox.

Middle Row: Manager Josh Arnold, Manager Adam Nowak, Manager Ethan Sumner, Coach Andy Sargent, Head Coach Clint Swan, Coach Brian Elston, Manager Paul Otte, Manager Brice Anderson, Manager Josh Rando.

Back Row: Kurt Wermers, Aleks Alavanya, Jacob Burkholder, Andrew Krumwied.

Girls' Golf



Front Row: Lauren Bryner, Sam VanProoyen, Nicci Brown, Chelsea Gyure, Meredith Malczewski.

Back Row: Marissa Williams, Mary Haynes, Kara Ingelhart, Karly Wasowski, Terra Miller, Lauren Dexter, Coach Scott Viink.

Front Row: Kyla Renn, Natalie Polisson, Britny Facemyer.
Second Row: Terra Miller, Courtney Baird, Kristin Batz, Courtney Rowe.
Third Row: Kaitee Pressley, Brooke Bonich, Jeranna Rhye.
Back Row: Kara Sodo, Natasha Boyd, Jessica Gutzweiler, Samantha Harnois.

Varsity Dance Team



Front Row: Mandy Rattazzi, Nikkole Stagowski.
Middle Row: Alexis Favia, Lindsey Rolff, Brittany Scott.
Back Row: Brittany Houchin, Bethany Komasiniski, Christina Lundy, Courtney Lowe, Lindsey Warga.

JV Dance Team



Front Row: Nick Barber, Chris Pappas, Adam Nowak, Greg Fisher, Alex Menn, Evan Barnum-Steggerda.
Second Row: Adam Knight, Jeff Erskine, Mark Rothrock, Ryan Dobbins, Anthony Zaffino, Jon Mitchell, Jason Ban, Ahmed Elshity, Nathan Bapple.
Third Row: Coach Rusty Landis, Coach Ben Landis, Silvester Lomeli, Jacob Tasher, Dustin Gertz, Sam Bushemi, Nick Mohamed, Jerett Nelson, Jon Sergent, Aaron Brown, Coach Nick Sarnecki, Coach Ryan Collier.
Back Row: Sean O'Brien, James Steriovski, Jerry Hendrickson, Mike Lipton, Brady Schuster, Serge Mosendz, Ben Friedman, C.J. Balmes, Nick Sniederwine.

Boys' Soccer



Varsity & JV Wrestling



Front Row: Nick Foltis, Josh Manes, Ryan Gill, Craig Hebda, Anthony Fennell, Nick Bruno, Jake Rosenbaum, Anthony Hawkins. **Second Row:** Joe Kolavo, Bryan Soto, Manager Kara Kozaitis, Manager Colleen Shea, Manager Mitch Adducci, Manager Britt Craft, Manager Brittany Rakos, Jimmy Bakalik, Anthony Conway

Third Row: Daniel Hamilton, Blake Mattan, Marcus Shrewsbury, Andrew Szymborski, Jeremy Kooi, Mark Myers, Alex Murzyn, Nick Cottrell, John Dykstra

Back Row: Matt Childress, Coach Tom Renn, Coach Nick Marchuk, Coach Brandon Lorek, Coach Scott Vlink, Coach Jake Rodriguez, Coach Rex Ibero, Coach Brian Swisher, Mike Damjanovic.

Freshman Wrestling



Front Row: Michael Kelly, Tommy Renn, Alex Villa

Middle Row: Ryan Gonzalez, Andrew Kutanavski, Dallas Schurg, Jake Black.

Back Row: Ben Cottrell, John Hannon, Coach Tom Renn, Phil Zobel, Tate Harshbarger.

Gymnastics



Front Row: Hillary Groff, Sam Zick.

Middle Row: Karen Pearsch, Kaitlin Cannon, Lyss Coker, Jaquelyn Cannon, Amanda Halsted, Mercedes Gonzalez, Jessica Modglin, Coach Ami Pysh.

Back Row: Manager Justin Luebcke, Liz Maxwell, Rachel Ignas, Holly Sheffer, Emilee Westphall, Amanda Nisle, Manager Philipp Buergy.

Not Pictured: Kloe Belush, Martina Buchholz

Front Row: Zach Igdonak, Natalie Spink, Melissa Lucke, Rachel Iberts, Ashley Adams, Molly Bloor, Ashley Morin, Flori Garcia, Brittani Clements, Megan Tasher.

Second Row: Alexis Villalera, Ashley Benachon, Alyssa Calas, Alex Engleau, Angela Myers, Paige Rathbun, Melissa Spisak, Emily Simko, Brooke Hribby, Ashley Dobbins, Amanda McCormick, Sammy Velazquez, Amy Lambert, Jessica Hilyard.

Third Row: Coach Nicole Nowaczky, Coach Anne Domaski, Hannah Jaranowski, Corinne Kocher, Sarah Gallas, Kathryn Papamihalakis, Shelby Hesser, Gretchen Hensley, Kacie Ford, Courtney Harth, Claire Bushemi, Haley Smith, Rachel Nowak, Elizabeth Phillips, Kara Gukas, Manager Kate Kukla, Coach Mike Malacki.

Back Row: Laura Dexter, Kristen Wissell, Brooke Farpi, Lydia Randolph, Cally Linars, Sonya DuBernard, Felicia Kralek, Ashley Torres, Megan Lobas, Andrea David, Tiffany Kralek, Joanna Linars, Sam Sneiderwine, Ashley Villareal, Larissa Codeliax.

Girls' Soccer

BULLDOG SOCCER



Front Row: Alex Nelson, Jordan Lowry, Shenzhen Howey, Joe Kolavo, C.J. Hopp, Jake White.

Middle Row: Zack Ulevig, Andrew Facemyer, Kyle Kocher, Sean Harrison, Sean Polacek, Chris Shellenberger, Tyler Baird, Kyle Davis, Colin Likas, Colton Koszczynski.

Back Row: Coach Keith Iddings, Paul Aulwurm, Brian Witt, Joe Rattazzi, Logan Koch, Andrew Feder, Coach Armontrout.

Boys' Cross Country



Front Row: Rachel Kolavo, Nicole Vega, Mackenzie Smack, Maggie Schwuchow, Jenn Bane, Morgan Kleinaman.

Middle Row: Sadie Williams, Sara Becker, Casey May, Ellen Kapitán, Amber Hart, Diamond Olson, Milijana Trisic.

Back Row: Coach Elizabeth Kinneer, Ksenia Pilarski, Meghan Frost, Ellen Campbell, Coach Patty Begley.

Girls' Cross Country



IV Boys' Tennis



Front Row: Karl Dahlman, Brandon Zakutansky, Matt Smith, James Haworth, Daniel Maginot, Zack Vlassopoulos.

Back Row: Kurt Altpeter, Jamie Cook, Thomas Vanderplough, Bob Krull, Ben Malott.

Varsity Boys' Tennis



Front Row: Nick Maddalone, Chase Korzeniewski, Max Weiss, Danny Krause.

Back Row: Coach Don Baron, Kyle Smith, Andrew Peretin, Tom Tokoly, Jacob Hoffman, Alex Tsikouris, Coach Korzeniewski.

Freshman Volleyball



Front Row: Paige Hynek, Lindsey Rusher, Brittany Hecht, Amanda Reid, Melissa Ostaszewski, Lindsey Wacnik.

Middle Row: Ashley Kutemeier, Brittany O'Connor, Coach Morgan, Jill Heneghan, Jessica Borgoli.

Back Row: Katrina Kuiper, Tori Bosnak, Shelby Barron, Katrina Klingberg.

JV Volleyball

Front Row: Ashley Lionberger, Staci Certa, Toni Welker, Mary Parks
Middle Row: Liz Ladowicz, Coach Ginger Britton, Angela Roberts.
Back Row: Clare Grubnich, Brenna Wermers, Taylor Perry, Sam LaMantia



Varsity Volleyball

Front Row: Kim Sapita, Kaitlin Sapita, Marcy Kerr
Second Row: Toni Welker, Allison Shaw, Katie Skaltsas, Molly Raspopovich, Megan Ast, Sonya Trippel.
Third Row: Coach Ginger Britton, Coach Rick Ashmore, Coach Dede Morgan.
Back Row: Katie Kvachkoff, Sam Polus, Stacy Qualizza, Leah Rashin.



Hockey

Front Row: Matt Costalunga, Mike Kmiec, Andy Yokovich, Nick Townes, Nick Kaczmarczyk, Dylan Zimmerman.
Middle Row: Coach Levi Frey, Greg Sienkiewicz, Andrew Clark, Brandon Clark, Kyle Gorman, Tyler Whitescarver, Coach Bob Costalunga.
Back Row: Coach Wally Olczak, Brad Kerrick, Joe Kaczmarczyk, Matt Baccino, Brandon Meyers, Jeff Beall, Aaron Wilbert, Justin Bruni, Coach Joe Whitescarver.



Freshman Girls' Basketball



Front Row: Jackie Beiffuss, Ashley Spargo, Hanna Tokoly, Jennifer Ferguson, Morgan Faso, Jessica Tylicki, Katrina Klingberg.

Back Row: Coach Scott Reid, Coach Ginger Britton, Coach Tom May.

IV Girls' Basketball



Front Row: Kara Gulvas, Clare Grubnich, Sam Polus, Megan Ast, Lynsey Brucato.

Middle Row: Lauren Seils, Abby Thomas, Jessica Martinez, Flori Garcia-Vicente, Mary Parks.

Back Row: Coach Ginger Britton, Coach Scott Reid, Coach Tom May.

Varsity Girls' Basketball



Front Row: Kristi Quigley, Kristen Morasan, Courtney Perry, Anjellica Rospond, Lina Obradovic, Amanda Moore, Brittany Clements.

Middle Row: Manager Caroline Anderson, Jessica Martinez, Megan Ast, Sydnee Reeves, Nicci Brown, Sam Polus, Daniella Tarailo, Maegen Maloney, Manager Katie Nieman, Manager Jessica Palf.

Back Row: Coach Courtney Weeks, Coach Scott Reid, Coach Ginger Britton, Nancy Cowan, Manager David Akey.

Varsity Football



Front Row: Michael Kelly, Alex Villa, Ryan Ruderschmidt, Scott Rykovich, Jack Munroe, Chris Klein, Andrew Dorsey, Chris Shimley, Hunter McGee, Justin Kaplan, Tommy Renin, Anthony Hawkins.

Second Row: Steve Polacek, Danny Stegall, Blake Sheffer, Leif Jansson, Gene Black, Nate Hasse, Mike Bishop, Colin Casey, Tate Harshbarger, Chris Hartman, Dallas Schurg.

Third Row: Miles Oney, Tre Manchester, Chris Gruenheiser, Danny Corning, Mason Popovich, Jolin Greel, Steve Perillo, Ben Cottrell, Greg Luers, Steven Stirling, Alex Petrovski, Ben McGarr.

Fourth Row: Scott Rogers, Joe Inzaray, Spencer Rapchak, Corbin Bish, Jon Poulsen, Dan Julius, John Hannon, Mike Kessler.

Back Row: Justin Flanery, Brad Pusateri, Zach Henderson, Andrew Pals, Zach Breuckman, Jared Andras, Justin Gresham, Logan Louttit, Jeff Lmbaugh, Branden Benton, Joe Perillo, Lucas Wheeler.

Freshman Football



Front Row: Taylor Luketic, Eleni Zervos, Jaclyn Anglis, Alex Horst, Sarah Steuer.

Middle Row: Amanda Reid, Jeri Grevis, Samia Kahn, Sarah Steffel, Kassie Lemaich, Needa Malik, Tuba Mirza, Stephanie Sager, Chelsea Viers.

Back Row: Chelsea Gora, Hanna Tokoly, Coach Ficker, Coach Kietzman, Jaimie Teske, Becca Iddings.

JV Girls' Tennis



Front Row: C. Scheibenreif, J. Krajci, D. Byrd, N. Haverstock, L. Brown, A. Stahl, M. Mohr, R. Chick, N. Sneiderwine, M. Haverstock, S. Chandler, M. Lankas, N. Ryan, T. Conway, N. Bruno, D. Downes, T. Aultman.

Second Row: B. Friedman, N. Barber, J. Bakalik, J. Pogorzelski, J. Sertich, B. Bork, K. Land, R. Forney, T. Parks, N. Hladek, D. Covacu, J. Sterioviski, N. Henderson, M. Granko, D. Fornof, M. Popovich, N. Ingram.

Third Row: A. Arnold, I. Hubble, D. Akey, J. Caravana, R. Turley, J. Rodriguez, S. Rettig, S. Granger, K. Enright, T. Laba, M. Croell, C. Pettit, C. Smoljan, B. Komara, T. Trump, M. Depta, R. Hays, B. Dorulla, J. Luebcke, J. Long, M. Adducci, C. Anderson, J. Palfi.

Fourth Row: B. Craft, B. Mascarello, K. Qualizza, T. Wells, M. Myers, C. Ruderschmidt, Ja. Smith, N. Jones, C. Cook, M. Pogorzelski, E. Nikrin, D. Osojnicki, G. Schillo, M. Shrewsbury, M. Dzieciolowski, M. Semchuck, N. Cottrell, C. Johnson, B. Corning, B. Cox, M. Plumb, M. Kozlowski, J. Newberry.

Fifth Row: A. Batkiewicz, M. Seip, Z. Brumm, J. Patrick, A. Kukulski, M. Damjanovic, C. Haywood, B. Jones, A. Szymborski, J. Cope, J. Limbaugh, L. LaMere, J. Castellanos, M. Lipton, R. Madison, S. Rutherford, A. Mudge, R. Levin, N. Russ, N. Colonna, K. Marshall, B. Kozlowski.

Back Row: M. Mohammad, R. Walden, M. Polus, N. Pusara, J. Hulen, M. Ernest, Childress, C. Blue, E. Manley, A. Krumwied, Osojnicki, J. Baker, K. Wermers, J. Cooke, S. Williams, D. Woosley, J. Maginot, Z. Cecich, J. Sparr, Z. Breuckman, S. Muenstermann.

Not Pictured: J. Hannon, S. Sprehe, N. Kabella, C. Riggle, N. Pluchinsky, Je. Smith, K. Cortese, K. Angel, K. Worst, K. Fricke (Coach), D. Haynie (Coach).

Varsity Girls' Tennis



Front Row: Michelle Kiefer, Marija Radiceska, Maria Ficker, April Gosser, Sarah Ferry, Amanda Halsted.

Back Row: Beth Iddings, Sara Tokoly, Coach Don Baron, Sarah Griffiths, Dana Andreoli.

Boys' Golf



Front Row: Scott Rykovich, Chase Korzeniewski, Ryan Qualizza, Ryan Levin, Tyler Bowdish, Blake Sheffer, Ryan Kabella, Josh Black.

Back Row: Assistant Coach Pat Hedge, C J Balmes, Will Theodoros, Nico Drakulich, Matt Mishevich, Nico Pusara, Mike Westgate, Jayson Schuetz, Coach Del Kutemeier.

Front Row: Ethan Breitweiser, Meredith Luedtke, Stacy Martin, Katie Duncan, Michelle Laurie, Ashley Szymborski, Bobbie Ferrell-Brey, Ben Allen.

Second Row: Abbie Pillar, Jessica Modglin, Kloe Belush, Karlin Cannon, Samantha Kats, Samantha Roth.

Third Row: Coach Paula Luedtke, Coach Shannon Fleming, Cally Kline, Xia Meng Howey, Hannah Gurnee, Kailee Tanner, Sarah Erks, Kate Gardiner, Coach Amanda Carlson, Coach Tammy Daugherty.

Back Row: Jaimie Teske, Melissa Monix, Sarah Ferry, Emily Kasch, Brianna Starzak, Natalie Einikis, Madeline Chambers, Amanda Nisle.

Varsity Cheerleading Team



Front Row: Nicole Domonkos, Gillian Semplinski, Hannah Gurnee.

Middle Row: Brianna Starzak, Coach Amanda Carlson, Winter Menees.

Back Row: Madeline Chambers, Melissa Monix.

JV Cheerleading Team



Front Row: Russell Chick, Vince Dawson, Nick Hladek, Jon Sertich, Chris Saroff, Adam Kukulski.

Middle Row: Manager Ross Florkiewicz, Manager David Lee, Blake Mascarello, Mike Kozlowski, Manager Trey Aultman.

Third Row: Mike Hernandez, Eric Clayton, Tim Mummery, Tommy Parks, Ben Derks, Joe Patrick.

Back Row: Coach Rick Florkiewicz, Jim Donley, Matt Ernest, Andrew Peretin, Coach Steve Strayer.

Varsity Boys' Baseball



IV Boys' Baseball



Front Row: Kyle Bacon, Mike O'Connor, Miles Atherton

Second Row: Jordan Lindeman, Matt Zurbiggen, Matt Rister, Ben Derks, Zach Brun.

Third Row: Coach Kevin Knaga, Paul Aulwurm, Josh Nottingham, Kyle Qualizza, Josh Dykstra, Coach Matt McCaleb.

Back Row: Luke Kulpa, Jeremy Koori, Joe Baker, Jim Donley, Kyle Stolko.

Freshman Boys' Baseball



Front Row: Eli Kvachkoff, Tony Patrick, Colin Casey, Jon Waspi, Andy Koval.

Second Row: Beau LaSalle, Spencer Rapchak, Scott Donley, Mike Kessler. Third Row: Seth Davis, Nathan Hansen, Corbin Bish, Kevin Demeuse, Coach Huffman.

Back Row: Jeff Limbough, Zach Breukman, Brad Pusateri, Josh Negele.

Boys' Track



Front Row: Colton Koszczymski, Steven Polacek, Zack Urevig, Anthony Nelson, Denzell Miller, Nick Kabella, Jake Masolak, Nate Haverstock, Jordan Lowry, Dan Byrd, Brendan Mann, Matt Fronck.

Second Row: Miles Oney, Chris Klein, Tommy Roseberry, Joe Kolavo, Tyler Bard, Mike Bishop, Scott Rogers, Sean Wilson, Jeff Erskine, Kyle Davis, Colin Lukas, Leif Jansson, C.J. Hopp.

Third Row: Coach Lafayette Armontrout, Coach Keith Iddings, Michael Mohr, Randy Hudi, Sean Harrison, John Hannon, Mohammad Mirza, Mark Rothrock, D.J. Gutzweiler, Anthony Stahl, Logan Brown, Mike Kmieci, Coach Andy Sargent.

Fourth Row: Chris Shellenberger, Zak Konway, Mike Damjanovic, Justin Kaminski, Andrew Feder, Anthony Zafino, Ben Malott, Jerry Hendrickson, Eric Kutemeier, Shenzen Hovey.

Back Row: Rodney Wilson, Brady Schuster, Logan Koch, Chris Wells, Cody Blue, Mitchell Robinson, Joe Rattazzi, Steve Williams, Dustin Woosley, Brad Jones, Brian Witt.

Front Row: Phoenix David, Jerry Bantz, Allana Vilaine, Samantha Mancini, Mackenzie Smack, Jessica Tynski, Xia Meng Hanway, Lindsey Watson, Aysha Jans, Morgan Klinehamer

Second Row: Erica Fitch, Ashley Collins, Kathryn Poniatowski, Hayley Plummer, Sarah Dabrowski, Tishia Eberly, Kyla Renn, Melissa Ostaszewski, Brittany Fry, Samantha Veicellino, Ashley Morlin, Nicole Vegg

Third Row: Chad Smith, Coach O'Neill, Clummet Olson, Jessica Gutzweiler, Jackie Wacnik, Ashley Dribbins, Angela Roberts, Stephanie Vaca, Ellen Kaplan, Maggie Schwuchow, Coach Kinneer, Coach Begley

Fourth Row: Megan Hayes, Sadie Williams, Winters Meneses, Ashley Torres, Lo-Ladowicz, Michelle Wacnik, Megali Tobias, Martina Bucholz, Dominique Dvinskaki

Back Row: Jennifer Ferguson, Ksenia Pilarski, Paige Rothrock, Stacy Qualizza, Megan Kessler, Leah Rashin, Andjela Tarallo, Simone Favor

Girls' Track



Athletic Department

Athletic Department:

Mr. Jerry Caravana & Mr. Bill Dorulla

Not Pictured: Mrs. Mary Roth.



Boys' Bowling



Front Row: Nick Stockman, Andrew Cavarie

Back Row: Coach Dave Ruehl, Justin Kaminski, Matt Ruehl, Jeff Stephan, Jeff Waspi.

Not Pictured: Travis Pitchford, Brandon Halsey.

Girls' Bowling



Front Row: Sarah Lawson, Ginnell Tano.

Middle Row: Jessica Funk, Amanda Kafantaris

Back Row: Ceara Brown, Megan Fricke, Leslie Wilcox, Stephanie Edwards, Coach Karen Ruehl.

Girls' Softball



Front Row: Jennifer Jacques, Amiee Favia, Chasity Smith, Jackie Beilfuss, Jessica Lightfoot, Katrina Klingberg, Kaitlyn Holtz, Heather Robison, Amber Pierce.

Middle Row: Rachel Copeland, Mallory Maddalone, Jessica Martinez, Kelsey Rather, Amanda Savell, Kasey Beason, Tess Pickett, Amy Fairchild, Sammy Maglish, Allison Adank, Jennifer Terpstra, Ali VanClee.

Back Row: Coach Brett Crutchfield, Katrina Kuiper, Anna Stephens, Lina Obradovic, Lindsey Grenz, Taylor Perry, Sam Kollak, Morgan Faso, Kara Gulvas, Coach Ginger Britton, Coach Carole Hultz.



- >> one. Megan Ast (11).
- >> two. Melisa Spisak (11).
- >> three. Blake Zolfo (9).
- >> four. Trisha Eberly (11).
- >> five. Craig Hebda (11).
- >> six. Matt Ernest (12).



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boys' varsity baseball wins 15 straight, captures sectional, regional title, achieves 1st place state ranking

By Devin Holme

"I think it was pretty awesome that we did so well," senior Adam Kukulski said.

The boys managed to drive through the season with a mere two losses. In the end, the team was ranked number one in the state in the class 4A division.

"Being a senior, I think this was the best way I could have asked to go out. All season we put in a lot of time and practice, and it was nice to see our efforts pay off so much," Adam said.

Throughout the season, the boys spent many hours practicing and developed just as many pre-game rituals in hopes of keeping their winning streak alive.

"It was difficult to stay focused for all seven innings; I listened to the same song before every game to get myself into the right mind-set. I also tried to keep myself calm during the game, and listen to what Coach wanted us to do," junior Nick Hladek said. "Mostly, though, I just tried to go out there, keep things fun, and hopefully win," he added.

While the team eventually did encounter a loss, they agree that they tried not to let it bother them.

"It was a real let-down when we lost against Chesterton, but it was also unbelievable that we started our season with 15 straight wins," junior Russell Chick said.

"Either way, it was important that we kept the right attitudes and didn't let ourselves get too upset over it," he added.

After the May 4th loss against Chesterton, the team resumed their winning streak, only to lose once more, on May 11th to Boone Grove. However, their efforts paid off as they went on to win against Valparaiso, Portage, and Chesterton to win the sectional championship. Their perseverance continued to yield success as they won the regional championship in five innings against Lake Central on June 5th.

The season came to a close only when Penn overcame the team at the semi-state in a devastating 9-2 loss.

Scoreboard

Hebron	14-0
Lafayette Jefferson	3-2
Lake Central	7-1
Rensselaer	12-0
Valparaiso	4-3
Griffith	10-5
Chesterton	2-1
Merrillville	9-1
LaPorte	9-4
Michigan City	8-1
Highland	16-2

Kankakee Valley	3-2
Lake Central	10-0
Portage	4-1
Valparaiso	10-0
Chesterton	2-3
F.W. Carroll	8-2
Penn	11-1
Merrillville	8-3
LaPorte	5-2
Boone Grove	1-7
Michigan City	12-0

Portage	3-1
Northridge	10-2
Heritage Christian	14-2
Record:	29-2
DAC:	1st
Sectionals:	1st
Valparaiso	8-7
Portage	11-6
Chesterton	5-2
Regionals:	1st
Lake Central	10-0
Semi-State:	
Penn	2-9



Photo by Mike Kozlowski



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>>One. At bat, Blake Mascarello (11) prepares to run. "Baseball was a regular part of my life; I always tried to focus on improving my game," Blake said. Blake maintained a **0.968** fielding percentage.

>>Two. Shortstop Mike Kozlowski (10) tries to tag out a Lake Central player at the April 10th game. "I was really fortunate to be playing on the varsity team as a sophomore," Mike said. Mike held a **1.000** fielding percentage.

Blake Mascarello
Mike Kozlowski

learning by experience freshman, jv baseball gain leadership, confidence for the years to come

Experience is usually not a word that would be associated with freshman or JV sports, but surprisingly both the JV and freshman teams had several years of experience.

"I have been playing baseball for about five years prior to this season," freshman Kevin Demeuse said.

Having some experience to build on helped to lead both teams to a great record. The winning record wasn't the only important aspect about the season. Gaining skills that would go beyond baseball, as well as, beyond high school was also important.

"I will take away confidence and leadership from baseball," junior Kyle Bacon said. "They are two things that are needed for both baseball and real life."

Many of the players had a certain influence that led them to start playing in the first place.

"My dad played for the Chicago White Sox when he was

younger, so it inspired me to play," said junior Jordan Lindeman.

With all the seriousness that the game brings, the freshman team found time to be successful as well as have fun.

"I will always remember the time we were forced to perform Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet* in front of the girls' track team for practice," freshman Brad Pusateri said.

The fun helped break the monotony but was reserved only for the right time. According to the players, practices were very rigorous and involved batting practice, ball handling skills and weight lifting.

"For conditioning we practiced inside; we did five laps, and then cardio on the treadmills," said Mike Hernandez. "Outside we would usually just run foul poles."

Many of the athletes went beyond the practice field.

"I ran around my neighborhood every other night, and I practiced my sprints in my driveway," Kyle said.

>>One. Sprinting at full speed, Kyle Bacon (11) tries to beat the ball to home plate. He had a total of 14 RBI's for the season as well as 1 of the 4 home runs. Kyle played center field. "I didn't really choose to play that position. When I got to high school the coach moved me to the outfield, and I have grown to like it," Kyle said.



>>Two. Determined to get the out, third baseman Mike Hernandez (11) fields the ball and throws to first base for the out. He had 0 errors on the season. "The best moment I had was the first game when I stepped on the mound for the first time," Mike said.



>>Three. Waiting anxiously, some of the JV team watch from the dugout in the final minutes of the game. The JV team out scored opponents 12 to 8.

>>Four. During the Lowell game, Jeff Limbough (9) leads off first base successfully stealing 2 for the season. "Being put in the big pressure situations will be the best experience for me later in life," Jeff said.



>>Rounding third base Brad Pusateri (9) scores a point. "I play right field as well as designated hitter because I felt that it was the best chance for me to get playing time," Brad said. He said he also gained more than just playing time from the sport. "Playing baseball allowed me to learn about discipline," Brad said.

Brad Pusateri



Photo by Jim Neuharn

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>>One. With his eye on the ball, Scott Donley (9) gets ready to swing. Scott was at bat 50 times. As one of the key players, Scott had to learn to keep his cool while under pressure. "Baseball has taught me not to get angry too quickly because I get a temper sometimes," Scott said. Playing second base and also pitching, Scott enjoyed being in the infield where he was most valuable.

>>Two. Trying to take out a Lake Central player, Joe Baker (11) awaits a pass from his teammates. Making big plays is a huge responsibility for the first baseman. He also was a pitcher "I chose this position because I love being in the spotlight," Joe said. Joe only allowed 10 hits overall.

>>Three. Catching a pitch, Kevin Demeuse (9) prepares to catch strike. "I enjoy being a catcher because I am involved with everything that goes on during the game," Kevin said. Experience from previous years helped. Kevin establish leadership within the team. "I have been playing baseball for 5 years," Kevin said

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3.



Photo by Tim Newberry

Freshmen

Rensselaer	14-0	Valpo	4-2
Lake Central	11-1	Valpo	3-0
Munster	2-4	Chesterton	12-1
Munster	8-12	Memilville	10-0
Morgan Twp	10-0	Hobart	11-2
Hobart	17-0	Portage	14-4
Andean	3-1	Hammond Gay	10-0
Andean	7-6	Portage	16-7
Lowell	10-4	Chesterton	13-1
SB St. Joe	6-5	Portage	22-14
SB St. Joe	3-1	Griffith	7-3
Lake Central	4-2	Boone Grove	13-1
Lowell	8-0	Lake Central	15-2

Scoreboard

Freshman
Record: 21-2
DAC: 1-15

JV Record: 25-1
DAC: 11-0

Junior Varsity

Chesterton	3-2	Memilville	15-6
Memilville	2-1	LaPorte	18-4
LaPorte	3-2	Elkhart Memorial	5-2
Michigan City	10-5	Homestead	7-4
Lake Central	1-3	KKV	11-10
Portage	12-4	Michigan City	2-1
Valpo	8-0	Portage	5-4
Valpo	3-2	Andean	15-5
Kouts	19-7	Plymouth	11-10
Chesterton	2-0	Plymouth	6-8
Highland	13-5	Lowell	30-1
Highland	7-3		

>>One. Placing themselves in the correct positions for their routine, varsity dance members Britny Facemyer (12) and Courtney Baird (12) wait for the music to begin. "Competitions were busy and fast-paced," Courtney said.

"We spent a lot of time waiting for the awards ceremony after competing, and we would determine who we had to beat based on scores from previous competitions." As a senior, Courtney had bittersweet feelings about leaving the team. "I was upset to leave my friends on the team, and I would miss going to Nationals and competitions." Courtney spent **two** years on the team.

>>Two. To emphasize their graceful gestures the JV dancers use poms. "Competitions were my favorite part about dance team, and they created so many memories! We had to wait until the awards were announced to learn who won, but it was amazing to win **first place** in the state," Christina Lundy (9) said.

>>Three While celebrating their victorious season at White Hawk Country Club, the varsity members show off their National trophy. After winning first place at the state level for the **fifth** time in a row, the girls traveled to Florida where they won **12th** in Kick and **7th** in Poms. "Nationals was a great experience because we worked so hard to get there, and it felt great to earn the placements we did as a team. All the hard work paid off," Kyla Renn (12) said.

>>Four. **Three feet** off the ground, Varsity member Kyla Renn (12) dances with Kristin Batz (11), Jessica Gutzweiler (9), Natalie Polissou (12), and Natasha Boyd (10) while keeping her focus throughout the routine. The routines the team performed during basketball season were also performed at competitions and Nationals. "Dancing at basketball games was better because the floor allowed us to perform skills that were impossible to do on the football field," Natalie said.



working through long practices, **dance team** takes first in state, achieves national ranking

By Shannon Compton

"During Nationals, you don't think," junior Jerianna Rhye said.

"There are about 15,000 people watching you, ESPN cameras everywhere. It's a rush."

For the fifth year in a row, the varsity dancers were invited to compete at Nationals after winning the title of the number one dance team in Indiana. At the competition, the girls placed 12th place in kicks and 7th in their poms routine. Achieving this status took hours of practice and dedication.

"During competition season, we practiced four to six days a week for four hours each day," senior Courtney Baird said.

Sometimes, the repetition of dance practices caused stress for the girls.

"The hardest part about practices was drilling the routines over and over again to reach near perfection," senior Natalie Polisson said.

"As a senior, it was bitter knowing that I wouldn't see my best friends, but at the same time it was sweet knowing that a lot of the stress in my life was over," she added.

When so many hours were put into

perfecting a routine, some hobbies, such as spending time with friends, had to be sacrificed by the athletes.

"Between dance and studying, I tended to forget that I had friends," sophomore Mandy Rattazzi said.

The regular dance season began in the fall, four months after the girls began practicing in May for the upcoming season. It continued into the winter months when the games where moved off of the football field and onto the basketball courts.

"It was easier to perform at basketball games because you're not so far away from the crowds, but football games were more fun," sophomore Bethany Kominski said.

From practicing the same routine for up to four hours a day to standing in front of thousands of spectators at a national competition, the dedication an athlete feels towards her sport was evident in the junior varsity and varsity dance teams.

"Dancing took a lot of blood and sweat, and still I wouldn't miss a single second of it for all the world," freshman Erin Hanley said.



>>Smiling for the opponent's crowd, Nikkole Stagowski (10) with teammate Alexis Favia (10) performs with the JV team during half-time on the basketball court. "What I liked most about dancing was the passion and the way I felt when I was performing, especially at competitions. I loved how you could show your emotions through your dancing. Many people thought that dancing was easy, but I felt that it wasn't," Nikkole said. When Nikkole wasn't practicing twice a week for three hours, she danced in a studio outside of school."

Nikkole Stagowski

>>One. To the music of INXS's "Devil Inside" the varsity dance team members, Simone Favor (10), Natasha Boyd (10), Jessica Gutzwieler (9), Terra Miller (12), Kaitee Pressley (11), Brooke Bonich (11), Courtney Baird (12), and Brittny Facemyer (12) perform their award winning kick routine. "It takes a lot of stretching and conditioning to perform the kick routine well. We won our fifth state title performing this routine," Simone said.

Photo by Ken Newberry

>>One. With both the mental and physical support of her teammates, Stacy Martin (12) performs for the crowd at a girls' varsity basketball game. Stacy was one of the main flyers for both basketball and football season. "Ben Allen was my partner, and we stunted together all year. We had an awesome time and stunting with him was probably my favorite part of the season," said Stacy.

>>Two. Cheering on a touchdown, Ethan Bretweiser (10) lifts up his megaphone in triumph. Finally having two boys on the cheerleading team allowed for the reincarnation of the big red CP flag, which hadn't made its debut since the 2003 season. "My friend and I decided to try out for the team just for fun, but he chickened out and I pursued it," Ethan said.

>>Three. Celebrating a first-down during a chilly Friday night football game, Kloe Belush (10) helps to bring up the crowd's excitement. The cheerleaders performed at every football game no matter rain, snow, or shine. Overcoming these adversities and others helped the girls become close. "One time we were on our way to Six Flags for a competition, and after the two hour drive, we found out it had been canceled," Kloe said. "We ended up stopping at a mall that was on the way and shopped the rest of the day."

>>Four. Escorting his mom onto the football field, Ben Allen (12) celebrates senior night. They took advantage of a break in the action at halftime on a Friday night in order to celebrate the graduating bunch. "I originally got into cheerleading because my step-brother was on the team," Ben said. "I also wanted the chance to try something new and completely different."



from base to flyer, cheerleaders use positive attitudes to soar towards victory

By Meghan Frost

When the buzzer sounds to signal the end of the first quarter and the players jog off to join their huddles, many would expect lines at the concession stand to begin winding around the lobby. Instead of taking this momentary break in the game to grab some refreshments, many fans stuck around to watch the cheerleading team take the floor.

The girls had always been able to perform a variety of stunting tricks at football and basketball games, but the addition of a new boy to the squad helped their performances reach a new level, according to the squad.

"Having two boys on the team had allowed us to start doing partner stunting," sophomore Kaitlin Cannon said.

A new male presence on the team helped the overall chemistry as well.

"Both the guys were very strong and had helped us to keep positive attitudes," senior Meredith Luedtke said.

New options in performing allowed the team to compete in variety of competitions. In addition to the local Jr. Bulldog camp and

banquet, they competed at the Dance Team Showcase, Six Flags competition, LaPorte competition, the regionals, national qualifiers, nationals, and state. After attending many competitions, the cheerleaders developed a number of traditions that they said helped them achieve success.

"We always wore different colored lollies to the Six Flags competition," Kaitlin said.

Mastering the stunts and tumbling tricks needed to do well in competitions required many of the girls to spend their time during the off season working on their skills.

"I went to open gym at Gymnastics Plus at least once a week to work on my tumbling," senior Katie Duncan said. "We went to nationals, so the whole team was strongly encouraged to be able to at least do a back flip."

Some others joined different sports in order to keep their skills sharp. Both school sponsored gymnastics and club teams were popular options for the girls.

"I was on the gymnastics team to help with my tumbling," freshman Amanda Nisile said.

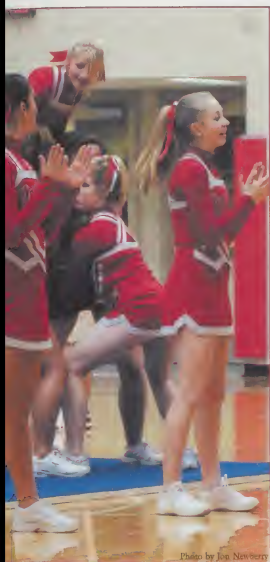


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>>Executing a liberty during a halftime routine, Sam Kats (10) demonstrates a stunt for the crowd. The liberty was one of the many technical stunts the cheerleaders performed for the crowd during football and basketball games. The team also showed off their stunting at a variety of competitions around the area where they often relied on superstitions as well as talent. "Natalie Einikis wore these socks to every competition and football game for good luck," Sam said. "The only time she forgot to wear the lucky socks we lost to LaPorte in the regionals."

Samantha Kats

>>One. With the game on the line, Jaime Teske (9) helps to raise the spirits of the crowd during a brief time-out. Cheering at basketball and football games wasn't the only way the team brought school spirit to fans. They brought red and white from the court and the field to the hallways. "We made all the banners for the football players to run through during football season and we also put the welcome back signs on all their lockers for the first day of school," said Jaime. "We also made signs to hang around the school for team support."



(Photo by Noah, ACP)

9/27/06: Arriving at up to an hour before school even begins, Fellowship of Christian Athletes

members, students and teachers, along with several home-schooled students gather around the

flag pole for the annual event, See You at the Pole. "I always went to See You at the Pole because

everyone gathered together to pray for the students and teachers at school," Bryan Birmingham said.

dates

by Nicole Akey and Melissa Moore

While Student Council played match-making Cupid in February, Key Club organized a spooky Halloween party for children in October. Each club, whether they were fund raising, travelling, or volunteering, planned and anticipated specific months and dates.

In February, Student Council organized numerous fund raising events to pay for their annual state convention trip in Clarksville, Indiana for leadership workshops on November 10-12. After filling out a survey, students could buy a list of their most compatible mates in the school. On February 15, Student Council then delivered Crush soda cans for \$1 to students' crushes.

"Matchmaker and Crush were extremely successful,"

junior Jaclyn Alpeter said. "We made about \$300 from the cans and \$600 from Matchmaker."

During December, Key Club volunteered their time and donated their funds. Members bought items listed on an angel tree from Jewel-Osco. Also, in the holiday spirit, members wrote cards to the elderly in Franciscan nursing homes at St. Anthony's.

Foreign languages anticipated their annual trip to Chicago in December and their trip to Six Flags Great America in May. "I went to Six Flags with the Spanish Club for my 3rd time this year," senior Ben Mendenhall said.



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10/18/06: Maryam Khalid speaks about Ramadan, an event that celebrated the breaking of the fast that they had held for an entire week.

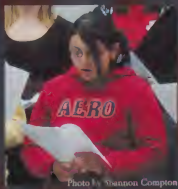
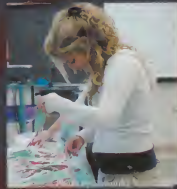


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12/11/06: Sophia Olazaba concentrates on the choir piece "Oh, My Love." "It was not that hard piece of music to read, but it was a really pretty song," Sophia said.



1/11/07: Amanda Seberger practices with the percussion ensemble in the cafeteria. Amanda normally played the saxophone, but volunteered for the ensemble.



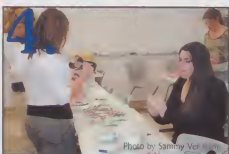
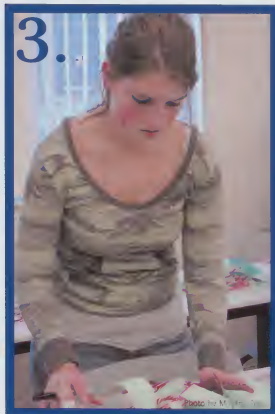
12/19/06: After school, in Ms. Michelle Shah's room, Amber Hart helps sort candy canes with the annual Student Council Candy Cane Delivery that occurs around Christmas time.

>>One. (11/22) Decorating for Christmas at the high school, Jenny Jacques (9) adds a little light to the tree. "I thought it would be a fun way to participate with the school: it was a great way to be involved," Jenny said.

>>Two. (11/22) Participating in the Christmas Tree decorating, Alex Tskouris (12) brings another festive ornament to the tree. "It made me feel good knowing that I was helping out: it was fun and gave me extra things to do," Tskouris said.

>>Three. Also helping sort the candy canes by class for Student Council, Shelly Kiefer wraps the red ribbons around the many candy canes. The canes were distributed to classes. "Taft did this fund raiser before, and the movie *Mean Girls* inspired me to pursue it," Shelly said. Shelly was also senior class president.

>>Four. (12/15) (12/15) Emma Baker (9) helps sort candy canes for the school. "I loved being in it (Student Council) and helping out our school. It was an amazing feeling knowing that I was doing something for the good of others," Emma said.



>>Five. (11/22) Putting up what she calls the, "holiday bush," sophomore Rachel Ignes (10) helps get the activity started. "Student Council liked to make our school look presentable and festive which is why we decorated the high school foyer," Rachel said. Student Council put up the 'bush' every year by the main office to welcome the students back from their breaks.

>>Six. (11/22) As a co-advisor to the Student Council team, Miss Sabrina Shah (Spanish) helps set up the Christmas tree. "Miss Shah was a great Student Council leader, who really cared about helping the school and the community," Katy Oresko (11) said. It was also Miss Shah's last year. "We were really going to miss her," Katy added.

>>Seven. (11/22) The other co-advisor, Mr. Andrew Shih (Chemistry), participates in the decorating rendezvous. Student Council always expected to accomplish many things, such as more student involvement and better school spirit. "I was in Student Council when I was in high school," Mr. Shih said.





>>>(10/2) Promoting Student Council, Amber York (11) and Kara Smith (11) walk in the Pep Rally for the school. "We are all very one excited for the homecoming game. At the pep rally," Amber said. "It's great to be a part of something that can really change—even if it's a small change. We want a school works." Kara said.

Photo by Melissa Myers

Student Council & National Honor Society

Programs aid students, community

Student Council- What looked great on a college application? According to Student Council members, years of dedicated service to the student body.

Student Council, lead by President Michelle Kiefer, served at a student leadership organization. In addition, the group also raised money for charitable organizations, including Riley Children's Hospital.

"We all helped the school and community become a better place," senior Alex Tsikouris said.

"I have had a lot of fun; it was a great feeling helping out my school," junior Sary Tokoly said.

National Honor Society- National Honor Society

also brought recognition from college recruiters. The organization honored students who maintained a certain academic standard along with a good attitude.

"NHS looks great for your college application," senior Cori Mellen said.

The group also participated in charitable endeavors since senior members were required to complete at least 20 hours of community service.

"It was just fun hanging out while helping out the community. Our advisor (Bernard Kowalski) really committed himself to helping us achieve," Cori said.

-By Olivia Abbott



Photo by Jim



Photo by Melissa

>>one. Learning how to fill out a W-2 form for taxes, Courtney Rowe (12) gives her full attention in class. "HERO gave you the opportunity to learn about work ethics and also allowed you to be able to work during school hours," Courtney said. Being a member of HERO allowed students to earn money for college.

>>two. As people gather in the small group instruction room, Matt Smith (9), Kyle Smith (12), Tom Tokoly (12), and Sara Tokoly (11) try to get everyone's attention in order to give instructions for the construction of the Thanksgiving baskets. "I believe that those of us who are fortunate should give anything we can to those who are less fortunate," Sara said. The baskets were distributed to the elderly during the holiday season.

>>three. Brothers Matt Smith (9) and Kyle Smith (12) spend time together before going back to work at the key club Halloween party. "I loved scaring all of the little kids. It was really fun helping out," Matt said. While numerous students could be found outside cheering on the football team the night of October 27th, Key Club members spent their time entertaining kids inside.

>>four. While bags of supplies including food, drinks, and decorations congregate on tables, Michelle Bates (9) rummages through them and separates them into different groups for Key Club's Octoberfest. "I enjoyed being in charge of the cakewalk because we had so many sweets that night and the kids were loving it," Michelle said.

>>five. Paying attention in HERO class, Anna Stephens (12) concentrates on what HERO teacher, Mrs. Laura Lorenz, is saying. "HERO allowed me to work and still earn the credits I need to graduate," Anna said.

>>six. Dressed as a mime for the annual Key Club Halloween party, Brittini Kratochvil (9) announces kids' names as they walk down the red velvet carpet for the traditional costume party. "I enjoyed helping out at the party because it was really fun and I liked dressing up and seeing all of the costumes," Brittini said. Key Club members spent their night decorating the cafeteria in Halloween decor and playing games with the children who came.



Remembering their time at the Bozo Buckers...
Matt Coper (9) and Amanda Smith (9) are among the
students who are proud of their work in the HERO
program. Over the years, HERO has helped many
students in the community. The students are
proud of their work and the money they have earned.



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Key Club, SADD, HERO

Members donate time to community

Key Club- Key Club members assembled together in the small group instruction room, Key Club members arrived early every Wednesday, ready to brainstorm ideas to improve the community and relationships within between the community and the school, according to club members.

"Key Club allowed me to have fun and help out the community," Ali Van Cleef said.

Sacrificing their time during the holiday season, Key Club members shopped and wrapped gifts for underprivileged children for their Angel Tree service project.

"I decided to join Key Club to take part in the community service projects," freshman Amanda Savell said.

SADD- Members of Students Against Drunk Driving also involved themselves in the community when they met by planning events that taught students about the

importance of not using drugs and alcohol. In charge of Red Ribbon Week, SADD members decided to decorate the cafeteria and hallways of the school in bright, red bows and "Just Say No" posters.

"I stayed after school during Red Ribbon Week making signs that said 'Drug Free the Way to Be,'" Ashley Morfin said.

During prom, a wrecked car greeted students as they entered the parking lot to remind them of the dangers of substance abuse and driving

HERO- Exiting the building after fourth period ended, students involved in the Helping Education Reach Occupation program made their way to their cars so they could head to their jobs. The HERO program allowed students to attend school for half of a day and then leave to pursue other opportunities. Students received elective credit for their employment.

-By Sammy Vercellino



Photo by Danny Krause



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Photo provided by Diane Noble



On Jan. 12/13, Joe Rattazzi (12) wires the radio control unit to the robot's base. Matt Kuhasek (12) watches and assists him with other major motors and gears. This allowed the students to remotely control the robot during their competition. "Robotical Club was a magical fusion of metal and cephalopods," Joe said.

Robot, Tech, Art Clubs

Creating and designing go to new heights

Robotic Club- Trying to get students involved, the newly created Robotic Club modeled, created, and drew up a distinctive robot to execute a designated task.

"The enthusiasm and dedication by the students to be involved was what sold me, not the actual robot performance itself," sponsor Mr. Mark Query (CAD) said.

This club was about more than just building a robot; it helped bring students together to work as a team to accomplish certain tasks in individual areas.

"As an animator of the team, I was in charge of creating an animation promoting the environment and the robot," senior Matt Pogozelski said.

Tech Club- Students with technological interests also took a new position with their involvement in programming the robot to move on its own without any student intervention. They were divided into three separate areas: programming, flash animation, and Lego design. They were also in charge

of designing and creating a web site for the robotics team.

"Being head of the flash team, we created many neat animations for web sites and making computer games produced a really fun time," junior Justin Leoni said.

Not only did Tech Club work with the robotics team, but they also worked to maintain other school organizations' web sites in the building.

Art Club- The Art Club also tried some new ideas as well. Their homemade Valentine cards were a major hit along with their Homecoming float.

"We entered a really neat float that resembled Van Gogh's painting, *Starry Night*. It was a big hit," Art Club sponsor Mrs. Dorothy Duffala said.

Whether it was building and controlling a robot, designing games and web sites, or even creating Valentine's cards, each organization provided an artistic or technological outlet for their club members. -By Danny Krause

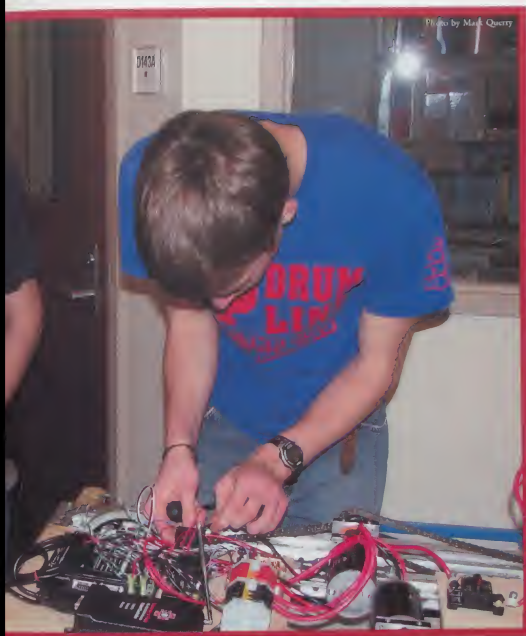


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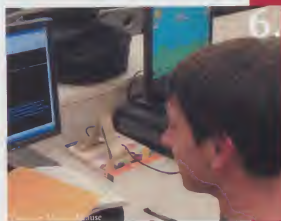


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>>One. (2/15/07) While listening to his iPod, Wesley Wood (10) tests out his newly created computer game. "The best part of the team was when our team leader, Andrew Wirtz (11) showed off his new games; we ended up playing them for hours," Wesley said.

>>Two. (2/15/07) Trying to place it on a wooden ring for points, Ian Hubble (9) and his dad test out the new robot with a pool inner tube. "Robotics Club gave many students the chance to come together and work with many different engineers to bring out new ideas," Ian said. Competition for the robot was held in March at Purdue University.

>>Three. (1/25/07) During a Thursday night meeting, Matt Pogozelski (12) works on his flying robot animation that helped him win scholarships for his participation.

"I joined the club and animation team because I wanted something to do when football had ended," Matt said.

>>Four. (2/22/07) At their February meeting, Ashley Winters (11) and Stephanie Shoup (10) scrape chalk into a tub of water in order to create a piece of paper with illusions of marble. "As president of the club, I was in charge of gathering students for meetings and creating ideas," Ashley said.

>>Five. (1/21/07) In an attempt to assemble the electronic components of the robot, Brandon Halsey (10), Liz Fleszewski (10), help in completing the task. Adam Simko (9), and Ian Hubble (10) assist them in the process. "You didn't need any experience when working with these sort of tasks, but you do have to want to be able to work and come up with new ideas," Liz said.

>>Six. (2/15/07) As he works at his computer, David Lubaway (11) creates a sub-page for the robotic web page. He created a history page that laid out all the events and dates for the club before their competition in March. "Being part of robotics was really fun," David said.



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>>one. Wrongly thinking that the flowers are for her, Bobbie Ferrell-Brey's (12) character, Poppy, accepts a bouquet from Andy Poplawski's (12) character, Tim, the set construction manager. "Auditions-wise, I was petrified," Andy said. "I got a copy of the play online and read during any free time I had."

>>two. A few days before opening night, James Freeman (12) acts out his character Lloyd during a practice. "My character was loud, overbearing, needy and egotistical," James said. To get ready for the show, James said that he would "compulsively eat and drink" the food in the green room, which included cheese and crackers, raw vegetables and bottled water.

>>three. To get into the prop house, Selsdon, played by Corey Hill (12), breaks through the window instead of using the door. Who helped Corey improve the most? "Mr. (Kit) Degenhart provided me with lots of pointers and tips," Corey said. "The cast also helped me a lot by letting me know when something I did was funny so that I could repeat it the next time."

>>four. Stage crew members Brian Chops (10) and Michael Chlebowski (10), both who helped out backstage during the play, follow through the script for entrance and exit scenes for the different characters. "In doing crew, you really learn to appreciate the theater, staff and actors," Michael said. "They put in a lot of hard work."

>>five. Two days before opening night, Becky Asher (12) explains to Amanda Reid (9) how to work the sound system during rehearsal. Amanda, a crew rookie, had only worked on the fall play. Becky, however, was a veteran. "The hardest part was definitely teaching the new crew members the ropes," Becky said.

>>six. With a nosebleed and a hurt foot, Matt DeBoth's (12) character, Philip, receives attention from Lynne Stanko (11), Kaitlyn Klein (12) and Bobbie Ferrell-Brey (12). Before auditions, each student prepared in a different way. For Kaitlyn, though, it was different. "I didn't prepare, but I just remembered to have fun," Kaitlyn said. "If nothing else came out of it, then at least I had a great time!"

>>four. Feeling less than fully clothed, Brooke Bonich (11) and Matt DeBoth (12) cover themselves in sheets while CJ Pawlikowski (12) and Kaitlyn Klein (12) appear mortified. In order to relate to their characters, the student actors watched the movie and tried to get into different mind sets. "Personally, to relate to my character, I tried to envision myself roughly 30 years down the road as an inarticulate, 'D-list' actor," CJ, who played Roger said.



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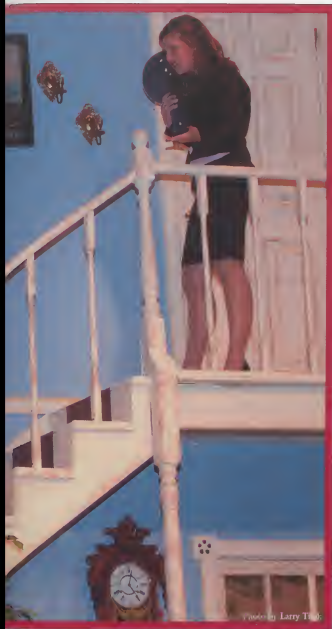


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Fall Play

Actors, crew keep lights on, 'Noises Off'

The process of putting on a play involved these ingredients: lines, actors and an audience. However, if people were behind the scenes, they shouldn't have been surprised if they inhaled whiffs of hairspray, heard the frantic yells of stage managers or a drill being heard due to the lack of swinging from a door.

Then it stopped. Instead of yells, there were whispers; the aerosol hairspray cans were put away for the next night and the door stopped swinging. The reason? It was opening night. "Opening night went very well!" senior hair, make-up and costume crew member Kristy Bielak said. "The play was so physical that it was hard to know what to expect."

Noises Off, a tale of love, suspense and hijinks was a play within a play; each actor had to perfectly time when and where they were going to enter and exit the stage area with their lines ready to be executed.

"What was different about the play was that it was

extremely dependent on lines and entrances, so the audience saw the rehearsal backstage and the 'bloopers' of the final performance," senior Bobbie Ferrell-Brey who played the director's assistant Poppy in the production said.

On opposite nights, though, junior Kara Ingelhart played Poppy in place of Bobbie.

"*Noises Off*! was a good play because it showed the audience how much work we put into a production," Kara said. "We still maintained a humorous attitude with its exaggerated story line."

Not only did the actors have to have great timing to pull off this particular type of play, but the stage and lighting crew had to be perfect as well.

"It did take a lot of time and effort, but I felt that by being on the stage crew will help me in the future," senior lighting supervisor Nathan Mueller said.

-By Katie Wefler

>>Holding their flags in the wind for effect while the marching band plays, Carrie Ohlenkamp (9), Alyx Durachta (9), Lindzy Volk (9), and Becky Asher (12) perform to the arrangement "In the Shadows of Dragons." "Color Guard provided the visual aspect of the music, and such a sense of pride during the performance," Becky Asher (12) said.



Marching Band and Color Guard (Royal Regiment)

Performers entertain half-time crowds

Marching Band- Spending time preparing for competitions for the first time in a few years, the Royal Regiment, performed "The Shadows of Dragons" at Mount Prospect, Indiana. Although they did not win, they learned from the endeavor.

"It was most definitely a fun experience," junior Craig Hebda said.

The group also performed on a hot summer day in at the Fourth of July parade.

"Marching in the parade was my favorite memory, because many people cheered for us, and it got the community involved," Carrie said.

Each student has his own reasons for joining the band.

"I always wanted to do it (marching band). I also wanted to play drums and when I finally got a chance to, I was overwhelmed," freshman Carrie Ohlenkamp said.

Color Guard- Students involved in the color guard section of Royal Regiment also had their own reasons for joining.

"I first joined Color Guard because I always loved watching the team twirl the flags, and I wanted to try it for myself," junior Jacob Brumfield said.

The team members said they loved to please the halftime crowd.

"The best memory was after our third show; that was the best show we ever had. I remember staring out into the crowd and having them cheer for us at the end," Jacob added. -by Olivia Abbott

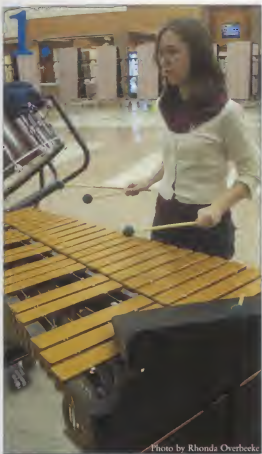


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>>One. (1/16/07) Playing vibes during Crown Indoor Ensemble practice (CIE), Kelsey Bonhivert (9) carefully follows the music. "Band was just a lot of fun, and I had made a lot of great friends," Kelsey said. "I thought it would be fun to be able to play an instrument."

>>Two. (1/16/07) Jacob Brumfield (11) practices with his flag for Color Guard. Jacob performed in the guard section. "I decided to participate in CIE because I wanted to know what it was like to be in the Guard," Jacob said. "I was really happy during the season, and I enjoyed my time there."

>>Three. (9/8/06) The percussionists stand motionless in line during halftime. Edgar Flores (9) played in percussion for four years. "My brother was in percussion and it made me want to join too," Edgar said. Edgar also became section leader. "I was speechless when I found out."

>>Four. (1/16/07) Another percussionist, Matt Barenie (9) plays the vibes during practice. "Band was my life. Almost everything I did revolved around it," Matt said. "My dad encouraged me to join band. I had always wanted to experience percussion," Matt said.



Photo by Rhonda Overbeek

>>Five. (9/15/06) The trumpets blare during halftime at a football game. Tom Ladendorf (10) has been playing since the sixth grade. "Band was pretty cool, the summer camps were fun and the football games were awesome," Tom said. "My favorite part of Royal Regiment was leaving and competing at different places," Tom said. "We also did really well at the season competitions for our first year competing."

>>Six. (1/16/07) Carrie Ohlenkamp (9) sets up the keyboard to the sound for her home bass. "I loved music and had always wanted to play percussion as well as band; the rush you received from playing a show was indescribable," Carrie said. "I've also joined percussion because of CIE (Crown Indoor Ensemble)," Carrie said.

>>Seven. (9/15/07) Craig Hebda (11) and Anthony Bishop (11) play percussion in one of the Royal Regiment's concerts. "I was playing the Marimba. I liked how every instrument blended together," Craig said. Craig had been in band for seven years. "It has always intrigued me," he said. "I played other instruments and the variety that I got to play was always different and fun," Anthony said.



>>Warming up before class begins, Eric Weed (10), Justin Golob (10), and Daniel Edwards (10) prepare to learn a new song from M. James Deal (Orchestra). "I really liked being in marching and pep band because it was fun having everyone together," Dan said. "We could all goof around and have a good time while playing, but we were still able to keep things serious."

Pep, Jazz, Advanced & Intermediate Bands

Comfort, commitment brings success to bands

To the members of the band, the keys to success were simple. Structure, comfort, focus, and experience were all ways to open doors to new possibilities on the road to accomplishment.

"The start of the year was a little rough, but we improved a lot as the year went on," sophomore Tom Lagendorf said.

For everyone in band, being relaxed was not a problem.

"We're all more comfortable with each other and have a lot of fun, but we still knew how and when to be serious," senior Angie Budgin said.

Because the members of band were a tightly-knit group, they said it was easy to have a good time while constantly making improvements on their performances.

"While we were in Terra Haute for the ISU Jazz Fest, we had an eating contest at the Golden Corral," junior Brad Stagowski said.

High school jazz bands from all over the state met in Terra Haute to play in front of each other and to be critiqued.

Any positive criticism was taken into account for future performances.

"Playing the baritone for a long time helped me relax during competitions because I knew that I had plenty of experience behind me," junior Matt Kositzky said.

Experience was something possessed by the entire band due to the fact that everyone had been playing their instruments for years. The continuity of playing a specific instrument from junior high to high school influenced how the band played.

"I had been playing the saxophone since I was eleven years old," junior Anthony Bishop said.

During competitions and even practices the band could tell that their hard work throughout their musical careers was paying off.

"When we performed well, it really gave me a feeling of satisfaction," Matt said. -By Adam Merkel



Photo by Anthony Bishop



Photo by Anthony Bishop



Photo by Anthony Bishop

>>One. (4/11) While playing her french horn, Laura Kuyachich (12) concentrates on the piece being played. Laura not only played the french horn, but also played the clarinet and the piano. She even played for the pit in *The Music Man* production. "Being in both band and orchestra wasn't difficult, but it was time-consuming. It all depended on how much dedication and commitment you were willing to put in," Laura said.

>>Two. (12/12) During the Christmas concert, Jenny Wood (11) holds a towel on the bass drum. The towel was used to muffle the sound of the beating of the drum to produce a deeper, yet quieter sound. Jenny was also an active member of the advanced orchestra and the assistant drum major for the Royal Regiment.

>>Three. (4/23) Simultaneously playing a note on their trombones, Christopher Koenig (11), Brendan Morin (11) and Nick Russ (12) work to play "Sleep" composed by Eric Whitacre, a piece that was originally meant to be backed by a choir. "I really liked band because the people in the program were easy to get along with. That's why I stayed in the program for so long. It was a great four years," Nick said.

>>Four. (4/18) During their daily practice, Allison Adams (11), Angie Budgin (12), and Brittany Komanski (12) perform a song under the direction of Mr. Brannock (Band). "We had plenty of experience, so we were confident in what we did and how we did it," Angie said.

>>Five. (12/12) Creating a jazz piece, Tom Ladendorf (10) practices his trumpet. "Jazz band was fun because I learned a lot about how to improvise really well while I was playing. I liked learning about the specific style that goes along with jazz music," Tom said. Tom also played the guitar for both the jazz and pep band.

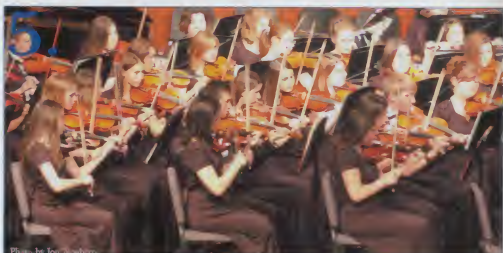
>>Six. (4/11) During her 5th hour, Amy Lohman (11) warms up her lips. Amy decided that the flute would be her best choice for a musical instrument when she was very young. "My mom had played the flute when she was younger, so my family really encouraged me to play it when I decided to be in band in the fifth grade," Amy said.

>>One. Practicing her violin, Lindzy Volk (9) prepares for class. "My favorite part of orchestra was going to competitions after we had been practicing for a long time. It was so rewarding," Lindzy said. Lindzy won five medals at state.

>>Two. Tuning his bass, Cody Blue (11) gets prepared for class. "Before a contest I got a little nervous because I felt pressured when playing in front of a judge. It was necessary to play your very best," Cody said. Cody had been involved with orchestra for seven years.

>>Three. (2/26) Entertaining the audience, Shenzen Howey (11), as Spiderman, Jackie McLaughlin (12), as the chicken, Andrew Krumwied (12), as the pirate, Shelly Kiefer (12), as Spongebob Squarepants, Justin Leoni (11), as the pirate, and Dan Lagastee (11), as the other pirate, dress up for elementary concert. "I liked being the chicken because it was a way for me to entice the children into joining orchestra," Jackie said. Jackie, also a bane member, participated in the orchestra concert.

>>Four. Concentrating on their music, the violinists in Advanced and Intermediate Orchestra play "Jingle Bells" during the winter concert. "My favorite part of concert was the Christmas (winter) concert because it was very festive and lively," Nicole Vaga (9) said. One of Nicole's accomplishments was receiving one gold metal as a soloist in the ISSMA contest.



>>Five. (12/17) Focusing on their notes, the violinists in the advanced orchestra begin playing the music for their winter concert. "I really enjoyed the winter concert because we were able to perform holiday songs that the audience liked," Sara Troutman (10) said.

>>Six. While conducting the advanced and intermediate orchestras, Mr. Deal awaits for each section to come in on their down beat. "I value interacting with the students and seeing them value and understand the quality of music," Mr. Deal said. Mr. Deal had directed the orchestra for 32 years.

>>Seven. Performing during the ISSMA concert, Jenny Wood (11) plays her part. "During the ISSMA concert, I was excited to show our parents and the community what we've been working so hard for," Jenny said. Jenny plays four instruments: the string bass, cello, violin, and percussion.



After presenting the full orchestra to the audience, Mr. Deal ends the winter concert. "The best song we played during the Winter Concert was 'Sleigh Ride.' Not only did it have a fun, exciting tune but it was very easy to play," Jenny Wood (11) said. "Sleigh Ride" was the orchestra's sixth song of the evening.



Photo By Milijana Trisic

Orchestra

Orchestra wins 150 medals at ISSMA

From sight reading music to performing in front of hundreds of people, orchestra members achieved many accomplishments as a whole and as individuals.

"Our theme was "Gold" due to all of our gold rankings and medals we won from contests," Orchestra Director Mr. James Deal said.

All together, the orchestra achieved 150 gold medals in the ISSMA solo and ensemble contest. Intermediate orchestra was split into two ensembles among the class at ISSMA, where both ensembles ranked in the gold medal category.

"After the contest, I had this feeling of self achievement and relief. All of the determination and effort we put in came together. It was an incredible feeling," freshman intermediate member Xia Meng Howey said.

Chamber orchestra, an extracurricular activity, gained success by performing gold at state with a record breaking 36 participants who both qualified for state and earned first

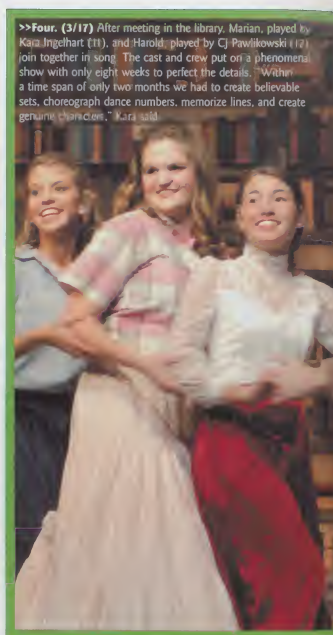
band competition for the very first time.

"My favorite memory from orchestra was ISSMA. Getting five golds was a great accomplishment. It made me feel good to be able to get medals and not play in any sports," freshman chamber member Carrie Ohlenkamp said.

Advanced orchestra performed their annual elementary concert where fourth grade students came to enjoy the sounds and sights of advanced orchestra. Members of orchestra dressed up in costumes that related to the songs they played. Some exhibited pirate garb or cartoon character costumes.

"I loved all the 'yeahs' and 'woos' from the elementary students as Mr. Deal announced that the next piece will be *Pirates of the Caribbean* or *Spongebob*," junior Amanda Harrison said.

With all of the medals the members earned, the Orchestra became one of the most recognized in the state.



>>Four. (3/17) After meeting in the library, Marian, played by Kara Ingelhart (11), and Harold, played by CJ Pawlikowski (12) join together in song. The cast and crew put on a phenomenal show with only eight weeks to perfect the details. "Within a time span of only two months we had to create believable sets, choreograph dance numbers, memorize lines, and create genuine characters," Kara said.

Spring Musical

76 trombones sound song of success

As the lights dimmed down in the theater and the audience took their seats, the cast stood backstage awaiting their debut.

"Before going on stage for my first entrance of the night, I was always a little nervous," senior Corey Hill said. "But once the show was on its way, everything ran smoothly for me."

The crew agreed that the show ran smoothly for everyone. With its smooth-talking salesman, peppy pickalittle ladies, and brilliant barbershop quartet, the *Music Man* kept its audience laughing from the curtain call to the final act.

The usual stress of rehearsals, lines, and dance numbers were not the only obstacles that the cast was challenged to overcome in order to put on a successful show.

"We had quite a few elementary aged kids performing with us, so our rehearsals had to be extra-structured," senior Kyle Smith said.

"With children involved, patience was definitely needed by all," senior Caroline Diamond said.

The cast also memorized a number of fast-paced songs and physically-challenging dance numbers.

"I played Harold Hill, a character who was unique from all others because he had to be and extremely fast talker," senior CJ Pawlikowski said. "I had to learn hundreds of words and speak in tempo. It presented me with a bit of trouble."

Just as much action was happening under and behind the stage as was happening on it as the pit and crew worked to make sure the show went off flawlessly.

"Playing in the pit was a lot harder than I thought it would be," sophomore Mandy Rattazzi, a first time member, said. "It was awesome to see how the music fit in with the show."

Members of the pit had to practice just as much in order to make sure they played their best on opening night.

"The music is always a challenge, but we got through it," senior Mallory Julian said. "We panicked at first, but in the end, and we all had a blast." -By Meghan Frost



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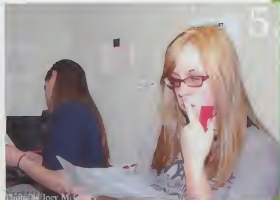


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>>One. (3/23) Sorting out new town gossip, Caroline Diamond (12), Shannon Egan (12), and Bobbie Ferrell-Brey (12), cast as the "pickalittle ladies," spread rumors about the new salesman in town. "I loved being able to spend time with the other ladies and Mrs. (Deb) Ciochina (Assist. Director)," Caroline said. "I'll never forget learning about webkinz and going to character studies at Schoops."

>>Two. (3/17) Having a family moment, Bobbie Ferrell-Brey (12), Kristen Batz (11), and Corey Hill (12) get together during a town meeting. "My biggest challenge was acting very angry," Corey said. "Those that know me best know I don't get angry very often and, as Mayor Shinn, I had to unleash my anger on certain people."

>>Three. (3/22) Singing in perfect harmony, Kyle Smith (12), Ben Allen (12), Kurt Wermers (11), and Chris Johnson (12) show off the talents of their barbershop quartet. The *Music Man* was one of the first musicals performed by the cast to feature a quartet. "The quartet was so much fun because we had the most amazing songs in the show and we came out and sang at random times," Kyle said. "The other three guys were awesome to sing with, and we had a blast with it."

>>Four. (3/17) The pickalittle ladies, queens of gossip in River City, Iowa, get together in order to spread some news before the town's Fourth of July party. "I played Mrs. Squires, a member of the Del Sarte ladies," junior Lynne Stanko said. "It was hard for us to make our characters funny but not too annoying."

>>Five. (3/24) Checking some information regarding publicity, Brittney Craft (12) works to ensure the show goes on smoothly. Brittney served as co-chairperson of the house and publicity crew with Elizabeth Mierzwa (11). "We had a lot of trouble regarding phone reservations," Brittney said. "A lot of people never picked up their reserved tickets and we had to print our own tickets because of money issues."

>>Six. (3/18) After jumping into the arms of Trevor St. Auburn (10), CJ Pawlikowski (12) describes his ideal lady. "It was great being a part of the *Music Man*," CJ said. "I had the awesome opportunity to work with my closest friends that have been with me since freshman year, as well as some great new faces."



Singing with expression, the Freshmen Girls' Choir entertain a full auditorium, over 700 people, during the Winter Concert. "My favorite concert was the winter concert," said Nicole Vega (9). "All of the parents enjoyed it, and it was lively and joyful."

Freshmen, Mixed, Treble & Concert Choirs

Students sing to celebrate seasons

If you were ever in the music department during any part of the year, you heard a symphony of voices singing the sounds of the season.

During the winter, the four choirs sang religious music dealing with the various holidays celebrated in December, along with traditional tunes that an audience could recognize and sing along with.

The spring season was accompanied by a relaxed selection of songs that allowed members of the four various choirs to dance and let loose before the school year was over.

"My favorite concert was Spring Sing because of the fun, upbeat songs we got to sing and the chance to express our musical tastes," sophomore Chrissy Kvachkoff said.

There were some changes made within the choral department in order to cater to the needs of over 300 students taking choir. Mrs. Sandi Tiemens from Kankakee Valley High School became the choral director's assistant while Mrs. Cynthia Bradford, from Taft, became the director of the Freshmen Girls' Choir.

"The best thing about having the job was that I taught some girls I had known for three years since they were in seventh grade at Taft Middle School," Mrs. Bradford said.

Students took choir to express themselves in an artistic environment, to reconnect with former teachers and to sing songs that reminiscent of the seasons.

-By Shannon Compton



>>One. (12/20) Keenly watching Mrs. Joanne Borodine, sopranos and basses of the Concert Choir are reminded to sing softly and quietly during the Winter Concert. The Concert Choir consisted of mostly seniors. "I am definitely going to miss choir when I graduate," Heather Kala (12) said. "I've been singing since I could remember and have had a lot of fun at all the concerts. My ultimate favorite was the Spring Sing Concert because we danced and had fun."

>>Two. (4/19) Sight-singing. Kassi Lamaich (10) and Thomas Vanderplough (9) practice reading music before learning a new song. "Sight-reading is important because it enhances your ability to sing and read music," said Thomas. Choir class time consisted of warming-up, practicing pitch and tone through sight-singing, and learning new music for the various concerts and contest.

>>Three. (4/16) Chatting in between songs, Mike Luas (9), Nick Polisson (9) and Trevor St. Aubin (10) discuss the choreography for the Spring Sing concert held in May. "The part I enjoyed most about choir was spending the day with Mrs. Borodine," Trevor said. "Also, the people were cool and the girls loved a boy who could sing."

>>Four. (12/20) Performing for the second time that night, members of the Concert Choir sing "Lux Aurumque," or "Light of Gold," for the Holiday concert. "Whenever I sing in front of an audience, I have an incredible rush of adrenaline overcome my body," said Kate Titus (12). "I liked choir too much not to take it my senior year."



>>Five. (2/22) Warming up before their winter choir concert in February, members of the Treble Choir, juniors Amy Reusze, Briana Frasure, Stacey Qualizza, Katy Oresko, and Amanda Lukawski (seated), practice their song selection. "My favorite parts about choir were the concerts and the satisfaction you felt after performing songs you worked on for months," Katy said. "I loved the friends you made and the music you sang. It was an incredible experience and a rewarding one for anyone who loves to sing."

>>Six. (12/12) Demonstrating the tempo of a holiday song, Mrs. Joanne Borodine conducts the Treble Choir during class. "It was always a delight to see Mrs. Borodine everyday," Sarah Board (12) said. "It was a mandatory part of my daily schedule, along with singing. I love how much I improved through the years with Mrs. Borodine."

>>Seven. (12/20) Accompanying the Freshman Girls' Choir during the Holiday concert on the piano, Mrs. Sandi Tiemens concentrates on her music. This was her first year as the choral director's assistant, hailing from Kankakee Valley High School. "It had been a whole new experience, being here. It was a big jump from Kankakee Valley," she said. "I thought that the choral directors were excellent."

>>One. (5/16) Grasping the microphone, Adam Kukulski (12) sings "Trashin' the Camp". The song was from Disney's Tarzan. "QYP was such a fun group to hang out with," Kyle Smith (12) said. "We were a really close-knit family, and everything was so surreal," CJ Palikowski (12) said. This Spring Sing was the last time all eight QYP members sang together. "My favorite moment at this Spring Sing was when Chris Johnson (12) called all of us up on stage," Adam said.

>>Two. (5/16) Dancing to "Everybody Loves My Baby," Kristin Batz (11) holds her hat at her side during the choreography. "I think this song was every one's favorite," Kristin said. "The dance was just really exciting, and there was never a dull moment in the song or in the choreography," she added. Kristin helped choreograph dances several times for both choir and show choir.

>>Three. (5/16) As Brooke Bonich (11) performs on stage, she completes a turn around that twirls her hair. "For the most part, I really enjoyed all of the songs that we sang," Brooke said. "My favorite memories were just performing and having so much fun with my friends," she added. "Spring sing was an exceptionally good time."



Photo by Adam Merkel

>>Four. (11/4) While waiting to go on stage, Shelly Armstrong (11), Nicci Brown (11), Lynn Stanko (11), and Kara Ingelhart (11) rehearse their dance moves. "I joined show choir because I loved to sing, and I wanted to meet new friends," Shelly said. "My favorite memory was dancing with the Mixed Show Choir in Night Fever," Kara said. On the other hand, Nicci Brown's favorite time during the musical season was, "performing with QYP at Pheasant Valley," Nicci said.

>>Five. (9/28) Snappin' his fingers, Ben Allen (12) coordinates himself with the beat of the song. "The Mansions of Lord" was my favorite song because I got to sing really high notes," Ben said. The musical group QYP enjoyed singing on the bus on their way to performances. "We sang on the bus and just messed around," Ben said. "They were the most fun part of the year."

>>Six. (12/20) Singing a Christmas medley, Chelsea Bowman (10) captures the audience during the Christmas program. "I loved to sing and dance; my favorite memory was when Mrs. (Nancy) Bocek (choir choreographer) choreographed our dance," Chelsea said. Helping to spread the Christmas joy, the girl's performed at a Christmas banquet for the Timothy Ball Elementary school teachers.



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Photo by Olivia Abbott



(6/28) Performing before a performance: Kurt Weimer (11), Chris Johnson (12), Sean Edwards (11), and Tim Mummery (12) left out their favorite tune. "My favorite song was the 'Lindeman song,'" Sharp said. "It's our signature song," he added. "I'm really going to miss it at the moment of performing, everything." Chris said.



Girls' show choir, & QYP

Choirs execute challenging moves, music

Show Choir Most girls joined show choir because they loved to sing and dance.

"I heard it was a lot of fun, and I was always interested in it," junior Kristin Batz said.

The girls performed at choir concerts, Pheasant Valley Country Club, and the Lake County Juvenile Center. The dances were choreographed by Nancy Bocek, Jen Hagerbomb and Kristin Batz. More than 10 of the girls agreed that spring sing was the best concert of the year.

"The songs and dances were always really fun and upbeat," junior Jessica Teske said.

"My favorite song was 'Everybody Loves My Baby,'" senior Ana Radiceska said. "It was really challenging," she added.

QYP- Like show choir, QYP performed at each concert, country clubs and the Lake County Juvenile Center. However,

they also appeared at the teachers' convention in Indianapolis, and the Raddison Hotel in Merrillville. The boys usually practiced every Wednesday under the direction of Mrs. Joanne Haley-Borodine, and sometimes with the help of senior Kyle Smith.

"One of my favorite memories was singing to senior Jake Kabella on his front porch one night," senior Kyle Smith said.

"We then proceeded to sing on the street; it was a lot of fun," he added.

"I joined QYP because it was such an aspiration of mine," senior CJ Pawlikowski said.

"I'm really going to miss it," he added.

-By Nicole Krnich



Photo by Katie Weller



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>>One. (5/09/07) While eating a meal with Mr. Brad Belush, the owner of Belush Jewelers, Paige Rothrock and Mr. Belush discuss current events and listen to the speakers of the meeting that day. "It was interesting because the two times that I went, there were foreign exchange students that spoke, and I learned more about the foreign exchange student process and the challenges they endured," Paige said.

>>Two. (3/21/07) In conversation with a member of the community, Caitlin Johnston (12) attends a weekly Rotary meeting for lunch and presentations. "I really enjoyed meeting so many amazing and interesting people," Caitlin said. "It was a great opportunity to engage in conversation with such genial people."

>>Three. (3/12/07) Filling out an application form, Beth Iddings (12) applies for a scholarship from the Rotary Club. "It was \$1,000 that they pay after your first semester," Beth said. "I think it was great that they gave back to the community as much as they have," she added.

>>Five. (5/09/07) While enjoying her meal, Kaitlyn Klein (12) discusses her future plans and her current involvement with the theatre department with a member of the community that she met that afternoon. "The conversation was really casual, and it was a very comfortable lunch," Kaitlyn said.

>>Six. (5/09/07) In attempt to cut a piece of pizza for himself, Nathan Mueller (12) prepares himself for who he might meet this day at the Youche Country Club. "I was privileged to meet a man who used to play for the Chicago Bears," Nathan said. "That was what made the experience cool and interesting."

>>Seven. (6/12/06) Down at Indiana State University in Terre Haute, Indiana, for Boys' state, Kyle Smith (12) and his fellow classmate Thomas Tokoly (12) walk among a group of students from other high schools across Indiana. "We were the top two boys in our class, so I knew we were both deserving," Tom said. "I just wish we didn't have to march every day."



Photo submitted by Marylin Khalil



Photo submitted by Kerie Sands



>>Four. (6/11) In the formation of a diamond, a group from Girls' State including Maryam Khalid (12), Sarah Griffin (12), and Alyssa Gillas (12) align to coincide with the pattern on the floor. "I was chosen as a senator and Sara and Alyssa were chosen as representatives," Maryam said. "I got to sit in a senator's chair and debate on the senate floor."

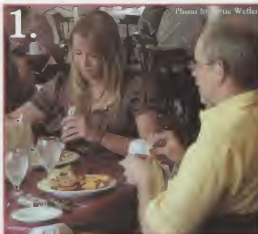


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Boys' & Girls' State, Rotary & Kiwanians *Seniors rewarded with scholarship, opportunity*

Rotarians/ Kiwanians. On May 12th, seniors Beth Iddings and Joe Lukawski were awarded with \$1000 scholarships from the Crown Point Rotary Club.

"It was a pleasant surprise," Joe said, "The cost of college seemed immeasurable at times, and each little bit of scholarship money made things a little easier."

The Rotary Club, a group of business and professional leaders, encourages high ethical standards for high school students. Every Wednesday, Rotarians from the high school dined and discussed issues within their surrounding area with members of the community at Youche Country Club.

"I met and discussed issues with former mayors of Crown Point and also alumni of Purdue University," senior Paige Rothrock said.

Boys' and Girls' State Another honors event, boys' and girls' state occurred in the summer with the seniors for the upcoming year. The students nominated for this event took part in different activities related to the Indiana government system. Seniors Kyle Smith and Thomas Tokoly were nominated to attend. The two students participated in lessons relating to the Indiana government system daily.

"If you were a delegate, you attended a caucus to nominate people from your assigned political party for state level positions," senior Kyle Smith said.

These activities lasted for four days starting June 10th. "Ours lasted for hours and had to be postponed until the morning," he added. -By Nicole Chromey



>>One. (9/27) Joe Burke (12) raises his hands in praise at See You At the Pole held in front the front of the school at the flag pole. "It was a national event to bring teenage believers in God together to pray for favor, direction, and grace," Joe said. Many of students also belonged to the Student Athletes for Christ organization.

>>Two. (8/18). Maryam Khalid (12) delivers a speech to the over 200 people that attended the fast-a-thon dinner held in the cafeteria after school. "We had a very successful fast-a-thon. We invited teachers, staff, and students to fast with us during Ramadan from dawn to dusk. We had the opportunity to share what a fast was like," Maryam said.

>>Three. (9/27) More than 40 students circle the flag to offer prayers concerning the needs of the world today. "See You At The Pole gave everyone a chance to pray for our school and our country," said Lindsey Pals (12). A day of prayer was also held later at the Court House Square that offered parents and students a chance to participate.

>>Four. (8/18) Marva Mour (9) and Necha Caudil (10) smile and laugh at a feast, catered by Aladdin Pita, after a long day of fasting. "The fast-a-thon was a great way to increase awareness of our faith," Marva said.

>>Five. (9/27) Lauren Slater (11) stretches her arms praising God at the flag pole in front of the school. She was a part of the Students Athletes for Christ organization. "It gave me a time for fellowship, prayer, and encouragement, and to hear my peers' view points on the Bible," she said.

>>Six. (9/27) Students gather together around the flag pole before school one morning in late September to pray. "It was held every year, and we prayed for peace in the school and in the world," said CJ Pawlikowski (12). The students were from many different Christian denominations and many were members of youth groups.





MSA and FCA

Religious clubs bring students together

MSA- "I thought it would be a good outlet for the growing number of Muslim kids at our school," founder senior Maryam Khalid said concerning the creation of the new Muslim Student Association.

"The MSA really had the opportunity to change the face of Islam that the media has given it," Maryam said.

The club sponsored a "fast-a-thon," in which they asked their fellow students and teachers to fast for a day and held a dinner after sundown.

"It was a way to increase awareness of Muslim customs and traditions, so that they community would better understand our faith," junior Abdullah Malik said.

"It was really nice to be part of a brand new chapter," junior Asad Ahmed said.

"We also participated in an interfaith volunteer day to help out with Habit for Humanity," junior Sarah Shabaan said.

"The main goal of the MSA is to spread awareness because most people don't know what Islam is really about," Sarah

said.

FCA- It was early morning and the sun was still hiding behind the school. Kids were gathered around the flag pole, interlocking hands, eyes closed, praying for anything and everything. See You at the Pole served as the Fellowship of Christian Athlete's yearly function. Students joined around the flagpole before school to pray together for peace and the school.

"In the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, we apply the Word of God to our lives," junior Ciara Artis said. At See You at the Pole, the prayers were not 'religious' or 'traditional,' but came from the overflow of the student's changed hearts. Everyone is invited to See You At The Pole, not just devout Christians."

The club met weekly in the black box of the auditorium.

"Every Thursday, before school, we came together and shared a message, which is like a mini-sermon that applies to everyday life," said senior Lindsey Pals.

- By Kara McIver

Photo by Nicole Chromey

(9/08) On the side line warming up during the half time of the first Lake Central game, Zack Cecich (11) assists quarterback Blake Mascarello (11) with a pass and catch routine. "My favorite memory with Blake was my touchdown against Lake Central, the beginning of our sectional domination," Zack said. The varsity team beat Lake Central in the regular season and sectional playoffs.



GVC and Lettermen Club

Childhood determination pays off

Becoming a member of the Girls' Varsity Club can happen at any grade level of high school as long as the girl earns a letter for her participation in a sport. For Ashley Gose, she entered the Girls' Varsity Club as a freshman varsity swimmer.

"I lettered for swimming because I was a state qualifier," Ashley said.

Along with the accomplishments of state qualification, Ashley also made Academic All American. However, according to Ashley, her biggest accomplishment was, "winning the 500 freestyle in the Duneland Athletic Conference," she said.

Ashley's main motivation was her passion for success at a younger age.

"It meant a lot to me to be a varsity club member. I had worked ever since I was six to letter in swimming," she added. Ashley's goals were achieved her first high school swimming season, setting the bar for her further ambitions as a swimmer.

With the help of Ashley, the girls' varsity swim team sent nine girls to the state meet in ten events.

State competitions were not the only exciting events, the boys' varsity basketball team had members of the letterman's club beat the number one ranked team in the state, Valparaiso.

"The guys dedicated themselves since they were younger for a victory moment over a number one team," junior Dustin Hunt said. -By Nicole Chromey



>>One. (12/12) Heads bowed, holding in their energy at the half time of a home basketball game, dancers Kristin Batz (11) and Kyla Renn (12) wait for their cue. "Kyla and I have danced together for 11 years and my favorite memory has been sharing all of our championships together," Kristin said. Kyla agreed. "We have danced together since we were little girls, and I just love dancing with Kristin," she said.

>>Two. (10/05) Grabbing the hand of fellow teammate Toni Welker (10), Stacy Qualizza (11) demonstrates her support for her team and shows her sportsmanship qualities.

"The most important thing to me was to try and be a good role model and leader for the other girls on the team," Stacy said.

>>Three. (3 / 13) Varsity basketball player, Steve Albrecht (11) accepts an award from Coach Clint Swan. "As a varsity member, I wanted to represent our school positively," Steve said. This award was issued to him at the Winter Sportsmanship Banquet in March.

>>Four. (12/13) Pinning a member of the Merrillville wrestling team, Andrew Szymborski (11) fights to stay on top of his opponent. "It was a good feeling to compete with the best athletes around," Andrew said. "Standing on the podium at state when I took 5th place made me feel great."



>>Five. (3/02) One morning at Jerry Ross Elementary school, Tommy Parks (12), Joe Patrick (12), Chris Johnson (12), and Dan Byrd (12), of the varsity football team, read books to the younger children. "It was very rewarding to see the kids light up as I walked in the room. I felt like a super hero," Dan said. Tommy gave them advice for their upcoming years. "I told them success is achieved through discipline, hard work, and sacrifice."

>>Six. (2/20) Approaching the vault, Jacquelin Cannon attempts to complete her vault routine. "Being a freshman on varsity, I was able to really show what I could do," Jacquelin said. "I was able to compete at all varsity meets with high level gymnasts."

>>Seven. (9/20) Down the field, James Steriovski (10) challenges his opponents with a tricky foot maneuver. "One time I slid through an opponent's legs, then kicked the ball over two other opponent's head's and then scissor kicked the ball through the goalie's hands into the left upper-nirpity (top left corner)," James said. "It also happened to be the winning goal and it made the opening video clips on Showtime."

>>One. Mimicking the dance team, Dito Sanchez (10) helps keep the crowd pumped up during the basketball halftime. The Dog Crew allowed students to express their spirit in an appropriate way. "I wanted a chance to promote school spirit and wish the teams good luck," Dito said. "Getting the fans riled up at the basketball games was great."

>>Two. To get her ready for practice, Justin Luebeck (11) tapes up an athlete. Taping ankles was just one of the many jobs the student athletic trainers had to do daily. Many athletes relied on the trainer's to prevent injury. "The best part about being a student athletic trainer is the people you work with and the people you meet," Justin said.



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Photo by Jeff Newberry

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>>Three. Checking the count, David Lee (11) says it's up on the score board. Running the scoreboard was David's main job during a varsity game. "I was really interested in being a manager because in Korea, they didn't have sports within your school, and I wanted to be a part of the team," David said.



>>Four. Taping up an athlete, Caroline Anderson (10) concentrates on the job. Knowing all the different types of tape jobs was an important skill needed. "I usually taped two to three athletes a day, and I had to know about ten different kinds of tape jobs," Caroline said.

taping ankles, helping out coaches, trainers push athletes forward on and off court, field

By Jon Newberry

Trainers/Managers - Imagine yourself spending hours at school, hardly ever being in the spotlight. Imagine all your hard work going unnoticed and spending long hours with your particular sport, only to watch someone else get the glory. That was the job of the managers and trainers while putting in many hours on the job.

"Some of the daily duties that we were required to do included taping ankles, stocking medical kits, cleaning whirlpools, making ice bags, and assisting with rehabilitation with the athletes," sophomore Jessica Palfi said.

The duties of the managers also varied depending on the sport with tasks ranging from taking water out to the practice fields, to keeping score at a meet. Being part of the

team made many feel the job was all worth it. "I really enjoyed being a trainer because I got to help out and be a part of something bigger than myself," sophomore Josh Long said.

Dog Crew - Hyping up the fans is not only the job of the cheerleaders, but the Dog Crew as well. The Dog Crew attended home events to help get the Superfans excited and pepped up.

"We went to all the games at home, and we tried to make the crowd cheer wildly," junior Amanda Parker said. The dog crew was responsible for getting the hallways and cafeteria decorated for many of the games too.

"The Dog Crew promoted the school's spirit by putting up banners and wishing the teams good luck," Dito Sanchez said.



>>Two. Taking the basketballs off the court after the team warm up, Brice Anderson (10) prepares for the start of the game. Most of the managers' work was done either prior to the games or during practices. "During a typical practice, we had to set up the practice clock, and get the basketballs out," Brice said. The managers were also responsible for making sure that all the proper equipment was stored on the bus and ready in good working order for the away competitions. "We made sure we had the printer for the computer and the dry erase board for the huddles."



>>One. While walking past the super fans lead by Ryan Forney (12), Amanda Parker, in costume, (11) works to get create spirit for the game. "It was fun to go to all the home games and get the crowd wild and cheering," Amanda said. Mixing in with the crowd and participating in the chanting helped the crowd get more into the game. Creating a fun atmosphere for the super fans was the goal for all the members of the dog crew. Dancing, interacting with the fans, and taking pictures with the little kids, as well as the students, created an interesting experience.



>>Three. Mitchell Adducci (9) makes an ice bag for an athlete. Making ice bags was just one of the many daily duties that student trainers had. Making up to 20 ice bags a day was not uncommon. "I had to tape ankles, fill and clean the whirlpools, fill any water coolers needed for the day, and help players with rehab," Mitchell said. Trainers were an essential part of the season for each athletic team.



>>Four. Setting the horse to the right level, Alex Nelson (12) and Philipp Buegry (12) help the gymnastics meets to go smoother. Some managers wanted to be a part of the team so that they could join in during practices. "One of the reasons that I wanted to be a manager was because I could join in during practice and try to keep myself in shape," Philipp Buegry said.



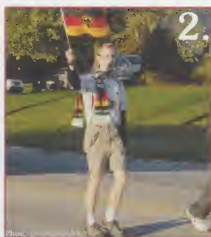
Ethan Sumner

>>With great enthusiasm, Ethan Sumner (12) dries up the floor in front of the bench. Getting water ready for a game and keeping up the bench area was one of his tasks. "I helped to make the job of the coaches easier, and I made sure the players were hydrated," Ethan said. "One of the best things about being a manager was that I loved being a part of the team." Ethan was also allowed to dress in uniform for the last regular season game against Chesterton.



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Photo submitted by Mike Kuk



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Photo submitted by Sam Young



(10/6) Participating in the Homecoming Parade, Sam Young (1), Mike Boyd (9), Ashley Young (9), Nathan Enloe (11), and Jeremy Rex (9), ride in the truck. "We adorned the traditional clothing worn by Nic Adams," Nathan said.

Photo by Scott A. Alton

German & French Club

Members discover interest in foreign culture

German Club- From creating a cardboard mountain to learning how to cook German cuisine, German Club had many distinctive cultural activities that differentiated it from other clubs.

"While making the cardboard mountains, (of the German Terrain) we had a duct tape fight," freshman Ashley Young said. "Somehow, *Lederhosen* (pants) always ended up in the conversation."

"We had Oktoberfest and St. Nicholas Day," freshman Heather DiGiacomo said. "Oktoberfest was one big party."

Another cultural difference concerned St. Nicholas Day. The Germans put candles on their Christmas trees instead of the traditional colored lights American use to decorate. In addition they fill shoes instead of stockings. "We got candy in our shoes," Heather added.

At meetings, the group sometimes watched movies and listened to music to acquire more knowledge about the German culture. -By Heather Smith

French Club- There was always an abundance of celebrations, food experiences, and new information during French Club meetings, according to its members.

"I liked being a part of French Club because we always had so many parties. Also, being able to try all the new and different types of food was awesome," junior Sarah Shaaban said.

During her third year as an active member of the club, Sarah was named French Club president. While the club consisted of many veteran members, an equal number of new members joined.

"This was my third year of French, but it was actually only my first year as an official member," junior Jasmin Tate said. "I was surprised to see how much I benefited from attending the activities and hearing all of the songs. Also, actually tasting the food first-hand helped me to remember the culture more easily than just reading about it."

-By Devin Holme



>>One. (10/11) While at Cafe Fondue, Jeri Grevis (9) and Mrs. Linda Atwood (French/Spanish) await their meal. "One of my favorite parts about French Club was that we always did something with food," Jeri said. "It was definitely satisfying."

>>Two. (10/6) In the Homecoming Parade, Nic Adams (12) displays the German flag. "One funny thing that happened was Sam, the vice president, always tried to take over the position of president," Nic said. "We also wished Frau (Mrs. Katie Smolino) a 'Happy 40th' when she wasn't even 30 yet."

>>Three. (3/4) At Staatskongress, Heather DiGiacomo (9), Ashley Young (9), and Lauren Quinn (10) listen closely to speakers. "We wasted two days making cardboard mountains, only to never use them," Heather said.

>>Four (3/29) While watching the talent show at the medieval banquet, Shelly Kiefer (12) and Jennifer Reid (12) enjoy the entertainment. "The talent show was really funny," Shelly said. "My favorite act was when Jared Hayes performed karate."

>>Five. (3/4) At Staatskongress, members stand around Mrs. Katie Smolino (German). Staatskongress was similar to a student council, though only for German students. Once a year, the members of Staatskongress traveled to Ball State to meet and compare their German Club activities.

>>Six. (2/20) During the Mardi Gras party, Sarah Shaaban (11), Krystal Krokroska (12), and Mrs. Linda Atwood (French/Spanish) play a game of *Mancala*. "It was the first time we had a Mardi Gras party," Krystal said. "It was a good change of pace to dress up and wear the traditional masks."



(10/6) At the pep rally, Charlotte Laus (11) walks by a Kimono to promote Japanese Club. "It has always been about meeting new people that you would not meet any other way and the noodle fights were fun too."

Spanish & Japanese Club

Language groups experience culture

Spanish Club- As people began dancing to "The Salsa" and trying the unfamiliar tastes of different food, being part of the Spanish Club became about more than just learning a new language.

"It was something extra to do, but it was also an opportunity to meet new people, and be a part of a different culture," Mr. Gonzalez (Spanish) said.

Between new food, a new language, and new customs, members of the Spanish Club were able to form a bond by learning about a culture that was drastically different from their own. -By Joey McColley

Japanese Club- Imagine yourself in a different environment, a different culture, where you would learn about origami, and learn a language that uses calligraphy.

"We learned so much, not only about the language, but also the culture," senior Alex Alvarez said.

During meetings, the group played DDR, ate Ramen Noodles, or watched anime.

"Every time I went to the club, I had fun. I was never bored, and learned something every time," freshman Jonathan O'Hara Tschopp said. "We didn't just sit around, and those who weren't in Japanese were included." -By Heather Smith



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>>One. (10/6) Representing Japanese Club on the homecoming float, Dane Mettam (12) plays his role. "We put a lot of hard work into our float," Dane said. "It was fun waving at people and yelling out various Japanese phrases."

>>Two. (3/27) At Foreign Language Fortnight, Alex VanGorp (9) serves himself Singapore Mei-fun. "I helped by putting the food out for Mrs. Nori Wachowski (Foreign Language)," Alex said. "It was great to see so many people enjoy foreign food."

>>Three. (10/6) Zack Hill (11) and Asad Ahmed (11) walk through the cheering crowd of kids. They were happy to show the spirit of Spanish Club. "I did the 'parade of pride' because I wanted to show that Spanish Club could be fun," Zack said.



Photo by Nicole Akay

>>Four. (12/9) On the bus to Chicago, Anni Chan (9) and Adam Caldwell (9) sit together for the Foreign Language Field Trip. "It was a blissful morning with the 'spiffiest' person I know," Adam said. "And sharing the trip to Chicago was all I could ever ask for."

>>Five. (10/6) Around late afternoon, Mr. Gonzalez (Foreign Language), Zack Hill (11), and Sonya DuBernard (9) display their Spanish Club sign. "It was very stressful, a little embarrassing, but all together it was a lot of fun," Sonya said.

>>Six. (10/6) With the stress of getting the Spanish Club float finished, Nikkie Patrick (9) takes in the joy of getting the crowd pumped for the upcoming game. "It was fun throwing candy to the little kids and just getting everyone pumped for the Homecoming game," Nikkie said.



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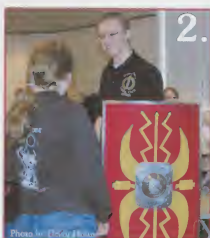


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Latin Club

Members reign first at state convention

They were hard to miss, as it wasn't uncommon that they wore togas and greeted with a "Salve."

"My favorite part about Latin club was the spirit days... especially Toga Friday," junior Sean Polacek said.

Throughout the year the Latin club worked to benefit the school as well as the community with a Krispy Kreme fundraiser beginning October 24, adopt-a-highway clean-up in September, October, April, and May, and gift wrapping at Barnes & Noble on December 22.

All of their hard work and dedication paid off with a trip to the Indiana Junior Classical League Convention on March 10. At the convention, schools from around Indiana gathered in Bloomington at Indiana University to compete in various contests and competitions.

Students won eleven individual achievement trophies in academics, graphic arts, and creative arts. In addition, all three levels of the Certamen teams advanced to the final rounds.

The lower and upper teams placed second, while the novice level team placed first and won the title of State Champions. Also, the students were pleased to return home with the yellow megaphone, which marked them as the winners of the delegation spirit competition.

They also acquired the Helen Wampler Spirt Competition and placed fourth with their scrapbook. For the first time in Mr. Jeremy Walker's career, they brought home the first place publicity trophy.

"Indiana is a highly competitive state in publicity, often taking several of the top ten spots in the national competition, so we were very excited to have won," Mr. Walker said.

Overall, the group scored more than 3,000 points, double the score of the second place team.

"The best activity this year was the state convention. I got to spend a lot of time with my friends," junior Jon Glass said.

- By Devon Holme



Photo submitted by Katelyn Lusk



>>(10/6) During the Homecoming parade, Abdullah Malik (11) and Caitlin Johnston (12) display the Latin Club banner. "It was kind of fun getting dressed up in togas and doing other goofy things for events," Abdullah said. Abdullah held the position of treasurer for the local Latin club.



Photo by Rhonda Overbeck



Photo by Devin Holme

>>One. (9/23) During a general meeting, Jon Glass (11) and Chris Miller (11) discuss the upcoming events in which they will participate. "I looked forward to Latin Club a lot. We always managed to have a good laugh and had a lot of fun during our meetings," Chris said. Meetings were held every Friday in the courtyard or small group instruction room.

>>Two. (2/23) While taking a break during a general meeting, Wesley Wood (10) shows off a visual arts entry for the State Latin Convention to Angela Langley-Lesnik (11). "The State Convention was the best because we got to choose from a bunch of different groups to compete in. Almost everybody chose to create a piece of Latin-inspired artwork," Angela said.

>>Three. (11/11) To celebrate President's Day, Jake Libauskas (12), Yassir Malik (11), and Kevin Jacobs (11) build miniature catapult models at Homestead High School. "On President's Day we went to the school of the Indiana Junior Classical League president. We learned a lot about how catapults were built and how they functioned," Yassir said.

>>Four. (12/22) On their first day of Christmas break, Jon Glass (11) and Wesley Wood (10) volunteer to giftwrap at Barnes and Noble. "It was very rewarding to know that I was helping out both my community and my fellow students," Jon said. The giftwrap benefitted the Indiana Junior Classical League Scholarship Fund and was held from 2:00 to 8:00 P.M.

>>Five. (9/23) A lively group of members takes a break and dances during a general meeting. When the weather permitted, meetings were held in the courtyard. At this informal Friday meeting, members enjoyed themselves with food and drink and took a break from their usual work.

>>Six. (2/23) Leading a general meeting, Mr. Jeremy Walker discusses the activities and rules that will apply the following day at the Indiana Junior Classical League State Convention. Mr. Walker was very active in the state with the league. He was even named teacher of the year previously.



Photo by Nicole Hixon

(5/16) Academic Decathlon members John Stangel (12), Sasha Neri-Defour (11), Angela Langlie-Lesnik (11), and Alex VanGorp (10) converse in the media center after school about their topic, China. "Decathlon was really special; we had a group of incredibly unique and different people that all shared a common goal," Angela said.



Photo by Hayley Hanes

Speech, Debate, Academic Decathlon

Brainiacs battle for top ranking

Researching data, practicing strenuous speeches and having some hilarious moments encompassed the speech, debate and academic decathlon teams. Even with a demanding schedule of constant study and memorization, each academic team placed well.

Speech/Debate Team With only nine students, Speech snatched up fourth place at the LaPorte Invitational. Overall, Debate placed fifth at District National Qualifying Tournament and 12th at State. Awards for the All-State team were distributed to seniors Caroline Diamond, James Freeman, and Caitlin Johnston.

Academic Decathlon "Academic Decathlon placed 11th in the state for large schools, missing the chance to go to state by 75 points," sponsor Dana Zurbruggen (Spanish) said.

One might have perceived these teams to be "geeky" and "boring," however, the teams shared some very amusing stories. For instance, on the debate team's first meet, the bus driver hit a deer when all of the team was sleeping.

"We all woke up with a jolt, and we heard the bus driver laughing. When we got off the bus later, there was still fur caught on the front of the bus," junior Yasir Malik said.

When Academic Decathlon traveled to Chicago, they visited the Art Museum, the Field Museum, and Chinatown.

"Mrs. Zurbruggen made a song of all the ridiculous things that happened. We sang the song on the way back as I shouted 'Oh, look, hey, shoes,'" senior Sarah Burke said.

-By Hayley Hanes

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Photo submitted by Tammy Daugherty

>>>**One. (1/16)** In the midst of practicing for humorous interpretation, Jon Glass (11) and Andy Misch (11) perform a short play called *Private Wars*. "The piece was about two crazy veterans that like to flash people," Andy said. Towards the end, they finished with scores ranking them in the top three and four in rounds. "We had a memorized duo, yet every time we performed, it was different," Jon said.

>>>**Two. (4/21)** Boasting in laughter about politics, James Freeman (12) addresses his most pleasurable moments in Debate. "Being able to speak last in the first half of the final round, I was pretty much able to refute any of the opponents points, so I made a couple comments. I told her, 'I'm sorry senator, Oscar nominations are closed. This isn't a display performance,'" James said. James placed sixth at state.

>>>**Three. (2/23)** At a rehearsal session for Debate, Abdullah Malik (11) takes a break from memorizing his lines. "It was strange to have different advisors for Speech and Debate this year. I wasn't used to seeing Mrs. (Tammy) Daugherty for only one of the two practices," Abdullah said.

>>>**Four. (5/16)** John Stangel (12) and Sasha Neri-Dufour (11) discuss Chinese literature for Academic Decathlon. "Every year there's a different topic for Decathlon; this year it was China. To get ourselves into the 'China mood' we'd order in Chinese food to eat during practices. We also watched the *Joy Luck Club* at one of our first meetings to observe cultural differences. I was never one to argue against watching a movie and having some good food," Jon said.



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>>>**Five. (5/16)** While discussing the novel *The Good Earth* for Decathlon, Alex VanGorp (10) and Angela Langlie-Lesnik (11) enjoy the weather outside. "Decathlon was one of my favorite activities because we had such a small team. This made the preparation for the competition a lot of fun because we really got to know our teammates," Angela said.

>>>**Six. (5/18)** During lunch, debate member Maryam Khalid (12) works on her presentation. "Northwest Indiana was the most competitive area for speech and debate; once you did well here you knew you would do well at the state competition. I loved the competitive attitude everybody had," Maryam said.

>>>**Seven. (5/18)** Preparing for her subjects of art, music, language and literature, Alison Hamilton (10) shows her enthusiasm for Academic Decathlon. "I loved Academic Decathlon the most because we had the most unique and quirky group of students; they made everything so fun and exciting," Allison said.



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Academic Quiz Bowl, Spell Bowl, Super Bowl

Bowl teams devote hours to practice

Though they never wore jerseys or ran sprints, the members of Academic Super Bowl, Quiz Bowl, and Spell Bowl insisted they were just like any other extracurricular team at school.

Quiz Bowl "Everybody generally assumed that the members of the Quiz Bowl team never put in much effort, but we practiced and competed just like any other team," senior Kristy Bielak said.

Members met every Monday after school to discuss random facts and run through practice questions. Overall, they finished second in the tournament.

Spell Bowl Likewise, Spell Bowl members insisted that they were more than just a small-scale group of students obsessed with academics.

"As soon as you admitted to joining an academic team you were labeled as a nerd with no life outside of school; in reality, we always had a lot of fun," senior Jeff Kors said.

"I think everybody would be surprised to see that we weren't tightly wound and obsessive about school," he added.

During their competition at Merrillville, the Spell Bowl team spelled nine out of ten words correctly.

Super Bowl The Academic Super Bowl team was unique in the fact that members chose in which competition they wanted to compete.

"I competed on the fine arts and English teams. I actually chose to join Academic Super Bowl because it was sort of a tradition in my family. My older sister always competed on Academic teams, and I was hooked from the time I attended my first meeting," senior John Stangel said.

Every Wednesday, members met in Mr. Jason McGee's (Math) room and studied packets of information he printed out.

"The packets varied depending on which subject you competed in. We also did a lot of research on the computers to prepare ourselves," freshman Stephanie Krause said.

The Academic Super Bowl team won two firsts and a third in the DAC competition.

-By Devin Holme



>>One. (5/3) While playing a game of Scrabble, Becky Asher (12) defends her word choice. "Spell Bowl was hysterical because we always teased each other and played jokes," Becky said. "One time Trevor changed the score to make it look like we beat LaPorte by one point. A teacher from another school actually congratulated Mr. Jerome Flewelling."

>>Two. (5/1) At an after school Spell Bowl practice, Jeff Kors (12) competes in a board race. "We would all line up at the dry erase board and see who could correctly write a word the fastest," Jeff said. Jeff was also the senior team captain.

>>Three. (5/1) During a round of practice questions, Quiz Bowl members Yassir Malik (11), Stephen Modrowski (12), and Abdullah Malik (11) attempt to win their team points. "Quiz Bowl was awesome because it allowed me to show off my intelligence and everything I knew," Abdullah said.

>>Four. (5/3) Focusing intently, Kristy Bielak (12), Trevor St. Aubin (10), Shelly Kiefer (12), and Becky Asher (12) set up their Scrabble board. "We played Scrabble all the time in Spell Bowl; it was by far my favorite way to practice," Shelly said.

>>Five. (5/1) At Quiz Bowl practice, Sarah Shaaban (11), Caitlin Johnston (12), and Gretchen Hensley (11) await the correct answer. "JV was really the dominating team this year. It really kicked varsity," Sarah said.

>>Six. (5/1) Leading a Quiz Bowl practice, Mr. Flewelling prepares to begin a practice round of questions. "Practices were pretty helpful because we just went over tons and tons of practice questions. It also helped that Jon Glass always knew what he was doing; he helped out the team a lot," Stephen Modrowski (12) said. Stephen was also a member of Spell Bowl and Academic Super Bowl.



Photo by Hayley Haynes



Reviewing their newspaper, Zach Yetter (10), Molly Bucci (11), and Stacy Martin (12) look at the stories they wrote. "My favorite part of writing for the newspaper was seeing my work published. It's always fun to open up the newspaper during 7th hour and be like 'I wrote that!'," Molly said. A total of nine issues of *Inklings* was published.

Inklings Newspaper

Staff expresses thoughts through words

Inklings Thinking of interesting story ideas, going on interviews, writing articles, staying after school for production nights, and surviving deadline week were only a few steps that *Inklings'* staffers, lead by editors Caitlin Johnston and Beth Iddings, had to complete for each monthly issue.

"Sometimes deadline week got pretty hectic; it usually involved last minute adjustments to stories, pictures, and page designs, but somehow at the end it all worked out," junior Sarah Shaaban said.

Each person had their own favorite aspect of belonging on the staff. In the case of senior Sadie Williams, it was expressing herself through her writing.

"I liked writing opinion columns because I was able to

express my own thoughts and rant about subjects that I felt strongly about," Sadie said.

Likewise, senior Bryanna Firchau had her own opinion about the best part of newspaper.

"The best part of being on staff was being able to use my intelligence and creativity in class," Bryanna said.

Although there was an immense amount of hard work and stress involved in assembling the paper each month, creative director and senior Joe Lukawski held his time in newspaper close to his heart.

"Newspaper was always my outlet; it was a tool I could use to focus my creative energy and put my soul on a page," Joe said. -By Milijana Trisic



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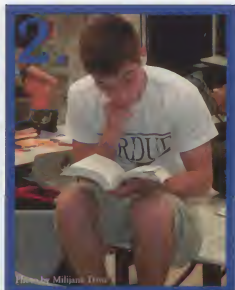


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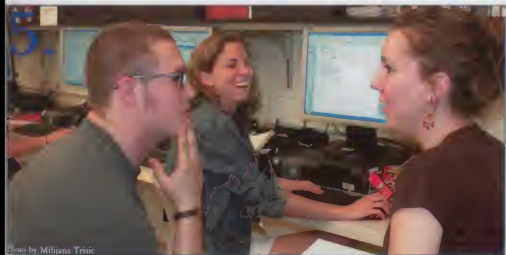


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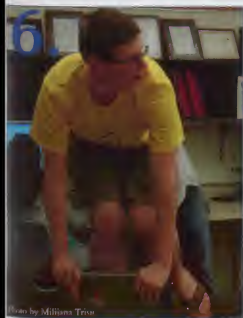


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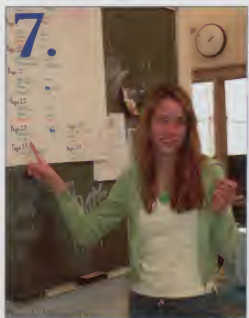


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>>One. While at Ball State's Journalism Day, Joe Lukawski (12) prepares to take a photo. "J-Day was a good time to get closer with my staff and learn from professionals. It was a nice break from the monotony of a regular week in the J-lab," Joe said. Joe was the creative director for the newspaper.

>>Two. Looking through a reference book, Anthony Nelson (12) finds information. "In order to write a good story, I had to research to make sure that all my information was accurate," Anthony said.

>>Three. Reading a returned questionnaire, staffers Megan Binder (10) and Andjela Tarailo (10) discuss what quote they should use for their story. "Our story, *Image*, required us to interview different kinds of students," Andjela said. "It was interesting to see the different opinions that everyone had when it came to appearance." Megan said. Both Andjela and Megan were new staffers.

>>Four. Finishing her story, Jaclyn Altpeter (11) stays after school for production night. "Production nights were always fun. We stayed pretty late in the evening and people were very entertaining, but the best part was the food and spending time with the staff," Jaclyn said. *Inklings* had multiple production nights, and each lasted for a couple of hours. The staffer's moms took turns bringing in food for everyone.

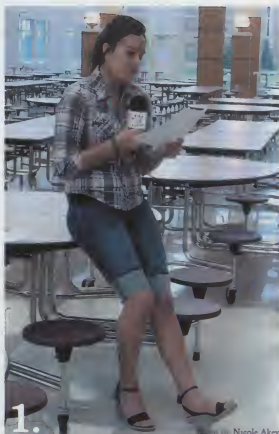


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>>Five. Joking around, Brian DeRuntz (11), Jenn Bane (11), and Nicci Brown (11) take a break from writing their stories. "One of the main parts of the newspaper class included communication between the photographers and the editors," Brian said. "My job was to discuss the photo assignments and infographics with the person who was designing the page so that the picture matched what was going on in the story," he added.

>>Six. Entertaining the staff, James Freeman (12) spins around on the computer chair. "I tried to make everyday fun and different for everyone," James said. James was the staff's copy editor.

>>Seven. While pointing to the story board poster, Sadie Williams (12) informs the staff of their deadlines. "Story assignments were usually handed out one month before we went to press. We would get together as a class and volunteer for stories," Sadie said.



1. Photo by Nicole Aksey

>>one. (5/16) During her second hour Mass Media class, Jaclyn Altpeter (11) prepares a voice-over for her segment about the release of *Shrek the Third*. "It was so much easier to do a voice-over for a segment than going out to try and find a B-roll or in other words, a moving shot instead of a still frame," Jaclyn said.

>>two. (3/13) Posing in front of the Indiana State Convention Center in their matching tie-dyed T-shirts and sweatshirts, several members of the *Showtime* staff celebrate their victory at the State Convention. "At the Indianapolis convention, Kylee Sautter (11) and senior Natalie Polisson (12) received third place in the Public Service Announcement division," Mrs. Lisa Landgrebe (English and Mass Media) said.

>>four. (4/17) During Mrs. Lisa Landgrebe's and Mr. Brent Barber's second hour Mass Media class, Maria Ficker (11) puts a recorded tape back into a camera after correcting it on one of the eight editors. "My favorite part of putting together *Showtime* was working on the editors. It was really cool to see how you could take multiple shots and turn it into one shot that was really good. Also, it was nice not to have to do a perfect recording. All you had to do was piece together the parts of the shot that you liked," Maria said.

>>five. (10/2) At the Homecoming pep rally, Amanda Walters (12) tapes the Homecoming highlights segment. "Sometimes, instead of sitting or cheering in the crowd with your friends, you had to be taping the game or the event so other people could enjoy the highlights or see the game, if they missed out," Amanda said. "I really did not mind because the show always looked good when it came out the following week."

>>six. (5/15) While working on the public service announcement about a personal impact project benefitting those in Darfur, Emily Simko (11) and Katie Kvachkoff (12) correct the final tape during second hour. "I was trying to make graphics on the 'Switcher.' I was really the only one who knew how to use it, and it was a really cool piece of equipment once you learned all the functions. It could do a lot of neat things once you played around with the machine for a while," Emily said.

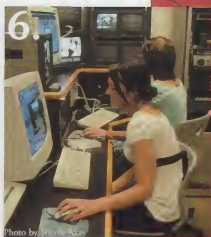
>>three. During first hour, Terra Miller (12) records a segment in the "Green Room." "It was really cool being in *Showtime* for two years. I learned a lot and had a lot of enjoyable memories. It was definitely a part of high school I won't forget," Terra said.



Photo by Nicole Aksey



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Showtime

Program wins recognition for excellence

Showtime "5, 4, 3, Shh, 2, 1." The famous words that began the taping of any film, or in this case, the award winning television program, *Showtime*.

At Ball State's Journalism Day, *Showtime* won awards in each division in which they submitted entries.

"This was the first year that we entered in five categories and won an honorable mention in each category. We were happy with what we accomplished this year," said Mrs. Lisa Landgrebe, the group's faculty adviser.

In the sports news category, junior Marija Radiceska won. Senior Ana Radiceska received an award for her "Bulldog Bulletin" segment. Junior Matt Fronek won for his segment on Halloween. For her package piece for the Christmas season, junior Lynn Stanko was recognized, and for their sports play-by-play segment, seniors Will Theodoros and Nick Zolfo received honors. In addition to the J-Day awards, *Showtime* received a third place award

at the Indianapolis Convention

The awards received were not the only aspect of the program that increased from past years. The Mass Media class enrollment also increased by over 25 percent. These additional numbers caused some problems for the staff.

"It was really hard to get tasks accomplished because three or four people were assigned to the one of the eight editors during one class period, so that could be frustrating at times," senior Kiely Schlesinger said.

Showtime, solely student-produced, aired twice a week on Channel 26, Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday at 6:00 p.m..

"I usually had to spend a couple hours a week editing and cutting segments down, but everyone was so supportive, so it was not that big of a deal to have to spend time outside of class," senior James Freeman said. James was on staff 1st semester only. - By Nicole Akey



Photo by Melissa Machay

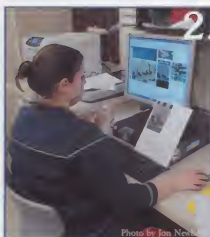


Photo by Jon Newlin



Photo by Melissa Machay



>>four (9/20). In the Journalism Lab, staffers Danny Krause (12) and Sammy Vercellino (9) learn to navigate Adobe InDesign CS2 so they can complete their pages. "Being on yearbook staff was fun but stressful. Being Assistant Ads manager was a really important job and a lot of work," Danny said.

Excalibur, Quill & Scroll

Journalists honored for work, dedication

Quill and Scroll: "It was really great that we were being inducted into a prestigious society that upholds student journalism rights and standards," senior Melissa Machay said.

Quill and Scroll honored journalism students who had served two or more years on publications, placed in the top third of their class, and received a recommendation from their advisors.

On May 6, senior Beth Iddings, Quill and Scroll President, inducted seven staff members from both *Excalibur* and *Inklings* during the annual publications banquet held at the Patio Restaurant. Juniors Jenn Bane and Jaclyn Altpeter earned enough votes to succeed her as president.

"It was an honor to be voted by my peers; and it was also an honor to share the position with Jaclyn," Jenn said.

Excalibur: Between chaotic schedules, working on pages, going on photo shoots, and a new adviser, the *Excalibur* staff learned to work together and made all of their deadlines.

"We all came from different families and backgrounds, but we

learned to care for each other and help each other out during times of need," senior Heather Smith said.

Despite the constant rush of deadlines, the staff found time to have fun and enjoy each other's company. Every Friday they took turns bringing in cookies, and brought in treats for staff member's birthdays.

"It really made me smile when people brought in cookies on Cookie Friday," freshman Sammy Vercellino said.

Two staff members also traveled to Nashville, Tennessee for the NSPA/JEA National Journalism convention. While there, the staff's 2006 book won ninth in the Best of Show competition.

Staffers remembered one deadline night when they started a "Rock, Paper, Scissors" competition headed by senior Adam Merkel.

"It was a shame that we never got a chance to finish the tournament," Adam said. "Since it was at the beginning of the year, it would have been a great ice breaker for the editors and staffers."

-By Bryanna Firchau



Photo by Jon Newberry



Photo by Breanna Furlan



Photo by Nicole Akey

>>one. (5/6) Reading the script from the ceremonial induction speech Beth Iddings (12) inducts new members to Quill and Scroll while other members Kara McIver (11) and Nicci Brown (11) help. "It was a great honor being nominated as Quill and Scroll president by my classmates," Beth said.

>>two. (12/4) Shannon Compton (11) works diligently on her page during fifth hour. "Trying to complete a page took a lot of determination and dedication," Shannon said. "The finished product was worth the time put into the pages."

>>three. (2/5) Student life editor Meghan Frost (12) gives *Excalibur's* youngest staff member, Joey McColley, (9) an inquisitive look. "When I was going through my writing process for a story, I'd roll around the classroom and chew on my pencil," Joey said. Joey also mentioned that *Excalibur* helped him learn to be more organized and taught him how to deal with stress.

>>five. (12/19) After school during the *Excalibur* Christmas party/layout night, editors Adam Merkel and Melissa Machay (12) talk about current events. "Deadline nights were hilarious because everyone was so stressed out and practically incoherent," Melissa said. "The food at deadline night always helped relieve some of the stress because it gave everyone a chance to relax for a little bit."

>>six. (4/20) On the way back to the high school from J-day at Ball State University, Jon Newberry (12) and Milijana Trisic (10) talk while drinking milk shakes. "J-day was a great experience because the staff members got to get to know each other one-on-one," Jon said. J-day is a program that Ball State University holds every year for high school journalism students in surrounding states.

>>seven. (4/20) Preparing herself to take a picture of other staff members on the bus, Nicole Akey (12) focuses the camera. "The Ball State trips were interesting to say the least, but out of the three years I attended, this year was the best year ever," Nicole said. The staff used two different types of cameras: a Nikon D100 and a Nikon D70.



Club Group Photos



French Club

Front row: Megan Sawa, Nikki Brudd, Heather Smith, Sara Hovland, Mrs. Linda Atwood. Second row: Tavleen Dhillon, Brittany Hecht, Daniel Maginot, Stephanie McCall, Jeri Grevis, Andrea Davis. Back row: Jared Hays, Ashley Veljko, Helena Bilka, Jordan Dvornik, Matt Baker, Meghan Martinez, Miranda Redenbaugh.



French Club

Front row: Amanda Verrek, Kristina Boudine, Kathryn Kukula, Casey Taylor, Mary Palko. Second row: Beth Argentine, Alli Martin, Rebecca Schweitzer, Eleni Koutouvas. Back row: Nick Bouldin, Will Theodoros, Emily Mavrelis.



French Club

Front row: Mrs. Linda Atwood, Sarah Lubeke, Tiffany Wilson, Jennifer Reid, Michelle Kiefer, Krystal Krotzowka, Sara Shadoff. Second row: Amy Lohrman, Brandy Sanders, Michelle Novotny, Angie Klein, Allison Adams, Amber Hart. Back row: Chelsea Goss, Chris Johnson, Jake Kabelka, Olivia Abbot, Jessica Malott, Allison Shaw, Chris Ruderschmidt.



French Club

Front row: Caroline Anderson, Kara Kozattis, John Newberry, Kathryn Kukula, Jessica Palfi. Second row: David Akey, Justin Luebecke, DJ Frampton, Katie Nierman, Jay Ferrell, Mitchell Adducci. Back row: Britt Craft, Adam Nowak, Dominique Dvojacki, Kate Titus, Justin Golob, Paul Otte, Josh Long, Josh Arnold.



Janka Club 1

Front row: Elizabeth Szymanska, Brenda Stevens, Lauren Kattalin, Stephanie Kraus, Victoria Virgata, Nicole Vega, James Haworth, Jessica Torno. Second row: Grace Gyure, Kelsey Bonhivert, Ali VanClef, Nikola Markoski, Matt Barenie, Winter Mences, Jessica Gutzwiler, Kaitlin Vass, Jodean Hobson. Third row: Ellen Campbell, Christina Lundy, Teodora Fetea, Danny Misch, Angela Roberts, Kenna Pilarski, Sonia Grabowski, Andrea David, Nicole Arena, Ivica Duggan. Back row: Samantha Boyd, Paul Aulwurm, Alex Merin, Josh Glass, Ted Plats, Seth Davis, Branko Bibic, Blake Zerkle. Colors Club, Jeff Erickson, Ian Hubbard.



Japanese Club

Front row: Mrs. Noriko Wachowski, Sara Mysliwiec, Marie Abina, Kaede Mimura. Second row: Alex Nelson, Toni Calhoun, Anthony Nelson, Linsey Clemens, Kate Titus, Alex Vangorp. Back row: Alex Alvarez, Todd Baker, Dane Mettam, Dave Young, Mari Hernandez.



Latin Club

Front row: Angela Langlie-Lewuk, Kathryn Kukis, Kara McIver, Jordan Martin, Stacey Clark. Second row: Katy Oresko, Marija Radstoshka, Abdulhak Malik, Davey Robbins, Gretchen Hensley, Adelle Duran. Back row: Jon Glass, Sean Polacek, Dan Lageste, Jason Hefner, Leguon Krich, Kevin Jacobs, Yasir Malik.



Latin Club

Front row: Dromius Clements, Ashley Dubois, Nicole Haworth, Angie Budgen. Second Row: Ben Allen, Anthony Nelson, Nick Russ, Mr. Jeremy Walker. Back row: James Casslin, Joe Rauszer, James Freeman.



Inklings

Front row: Mrs. Julie Ellison, Megan Binder, Jenn Bane, Muli Benci, Cynthia Johnston, Lorie du Bernard, Stacy Martin, Danielle Chano, Sarah Shabane. Second row: Bryanna Firschau, Sadie Williams, Katie Walter, Anabella Tarallo, Amanda Walters, Ed Paczkowski, Anthony Nelson, Beth Iddings. Back row: Jodyln Altpeter, Maryam Khalid, Brian DeRuntz, Andrew Krumwied, James Freeman, Nicci Brown, Zach Vorse.



Inklings Editors

Edits row: Lorie du Bernard, Maryam Khalid, Caitlin Johnston, Beth Iddings, Jenn Bane. Second row: Katie Weller, Amanda Walters, Bryanna Firschau, Stacy Martin, Sadie Williams. Back row: Nicci Brown, James Freeman, Andrew Krumwied, Ed Paczkowski.



Quil (Boys)

Front row: Kristy Bielak, Abdullah Malik, Jon Glass, Gretchen Hensley, Sarah Shaaban Back row: Ray Miller, Caitlin Johnson, Kevin Jacobs, James Freeman, Stephen Modrowski, Yassir Malik, Ryan Farrell



Super (Boys)

Front row: John Stangell, Kyle Smith, Karlson Whiting, Stephanie Krauss Second row: Brittany Buhner, Alison Martin, Andrew White, Dan Julius, Andrew Noak, Mohammad Rahman, Mr. Jason McGee Back row: Stephen Sheller, Zachary Konway, Tom Tokoly, Eric Skalka, Stephen Modrowski, Jamie Cook



Spanish Club (for 2003-2004)

Front row: Nicole Reid, Sonya DuBernard, Shelby Calver, Kelly Landers, Alex Horst Second row: Samantha Vercellano, Krysta Rodd, Needa Malik, Cecilia Budlove Back row: Rebecca Schweitzer, Scott Rykovich, Brad Hiller, Mike Bishop, Sammy Gasaway



Spanish I club (3rd and 4th)

Front Row: Mr. Michael Gonzalez, Shelby Calver, Stephanie Flaw, Kevin Schwartz, Alicia Bellamy Back Row: Laura Kanaga, Zack Hill, Steve Modrowski, Muhammad Mirza, Asad Ahmed



Junior's Club (Lower)

Front row: Kyle Davis, Anthony Conway, Zachary Whiting, Matt Smith, Sean O'Brien, Joe Kolave Second row: Brad Stallings, Bill Cox, Tyler Baird, Mike Cacovski, Colin Likas, Josh Glass, Nick Hladek, Jerry Hendrickson Third row: Paul Otte, Jimmy Page, Nick Jones, Kyle Marshall, Mark Seip, Mike Plumb, Greg Schillo, Kyle Snow Back row: Matt Kukurugya, Andy Feder, Logan Koch, Cody Blue, Kurt Wermers, Justin Luebecke, Matt Polus, Mah Childress, Mitchell Adducci



Letterman's Club (Upper)

Front row: Mr. Jerry Caravana, Jon Newberry, Jake Kahalla, Mike Kniel, Kyle Smith Second row: Mike Mott, Adam Kukulski, Nick Russ, Jacob Hoffman, Joe Patrick, Jon Serich Back row: Andrew Peretin, Tom Tokoly, Andrew Krumwied, Joe Rattazzo, Matt Erns



Japanese Club 1

Front row: Mrs. Noriko Wachowski, Ani Chan, Lauren Stoboski, Jason Groat, Haley Webb, Shannon O'Brien, Shannon Jett, Melissa Ostaszewski, Carrie Ohlenkamp, Liz Palmer, David Nickla, Alexis Harrison, Sarah Ostaszewski, Back row: Teo Fetea, James Williams, Andrew James, Dustin Stover, Adam Caldwell, Terynn Hedden, Jonathan Tschopp



Japanese Club 2

Front row: Mrs. Noriko Wachowski, Jeri Gaoat, Michelle Beane, Esther Jett, Erina Okamoto, DJ Frampton, Trish Milom, Back row: Madeline Gardner, Casey Paczkowski, Eddie Sherman, Jeffrey Phil Ups, Arthur Hernandez



Japanese Club 3

Front row: Mrs. Noriko Wachowski, Eleanor Blankenship, Chantelle Jans, Samantha Reilly, Megan Tasher, Kristen Rodriguez, Second row: David Lambka, Jacob Brumfield, Daniel Hamilton, Jordan Lindeman, Michael Myers, Sasha Ney-Dufour, Back row: Tim Abana, Andrew Hall, Adam Kozlowski, Chavis Wells, Scott Kennedy, Jeremy Allen, Mikelle Calhoun



Japanese Club 4

Front row: Mrs. Noriko Wachowski, Sara Melrose, Marie Milis, Kacie Minnura, Second row: Alex Nelson, Toni Calhoun, Anthony Nelson, Jandrey Clements, Kate Tins, Alex Vart, Back row: Alex Alvarez, Todd Baker, Dane Mettam, Dave Young, Matt Hernandez



GVC (Lower Classman)

Front row: Nicole Vega, Casey Taylor, Rachel Krahmer, Rachel Smith, Monzin Kleinman, Hayley Plummer, Second row: Melissa Tucker, Caroline Anderson, Kara Ingelhart, Kelsie Draga, Kathryn Kukla, Ashley Collins, Jenn Bane, Third row: Ashley Morfin, Sammy Vercellino, Diamond Olson, Kristin Baez, Ellen Napatan, Maggie Schwuchow, Marissa Williams, Jessica Pata, Back row: Simone Favor, Lauren Bryner, Holly Sheffer, Emily Simbo, Sara Tokoly, Molly Raspopovich, Ksenia Piariski, Allison Shaw, Toni Welker



GVC (German)

Front row: Natalie Polisson, Brittany Clements, Martina Buchholz, Michelle Kiefer, Terra Miller, Second row: Jackie Wacnik, Bryanna Firehau, Beth Iddings, Kaitlin Sapita, Alyssa Gallas, April Gosser, Back row: Britt Craft, Katie Kvachkoff, Anjelica Rospond, Stephanie Reeve, Sadie Williams



QNT

Front row: Ben Allen, Christopher Johnson, Adam Kukulski, Scott Polack, Kyle Smith Back row: Tim Mummery, Kurt Wermers, C.J. Pawlikowski



Book Club

Front Row: Mrs. Julie Woudburg, Sivi Sava, Eleanor Blankowits, Nicole Ivey, Ashly LeSera, Carrie Nobile, Amber Previs, Ioli Tuqoa, Mike Williams, Caroline Anderson, Karlynn Whiting Second Row: Jasmin Tate, Erin Haney, John Stangel, Channing Manning, Rebecca Schweitzer, Britt Grady, Corrin Elmsing, Twileen Duillon, Krystle Peterson, Kyle Baxter Back Row: Ashley Winters, Amanda Stabler, Jake Anderson, Josh Koole, Jake Smith, Chris Koenig, Brandon Stanley, John Langan, David Lambka, Patrick Walker



SADD

Front row: Mr. Jack Altmendorf, Samantha Roth, Caroline Anderson, Ashley Morfin, Kristina Budgins Back row: Amanda Delys, Jasmin Tate, Thomas Tokoly, Sara Tokoly, Brianna Schweitzer



HSA

Front Row: Josephine Yang, Courtney Rowe, Mandy Karlynn, Kristany Bruscorin, Gimil, Tanya St. Onil Row: Andi Cooley, Jani Santelik, Allison Ricard, Katie David, Alyssa Glover, Stephanie Valois, Heather Robison, Jada Ray, Sara Massa, Ashley Kolanda, Heather Russell, Samantha Schultz, Ashley Szymborski, Anna Stephens, Tiffany Gertz, Megan Lambert Back Row: Ben Wright, Nikolina Pitroski, Hristina Jakimoska, Chris Akey, Mike Damanovic, Jeremy Singh, Adams Kevich



Spell Bowl

Front Row: Mr. Jerome Hewelling, Becky Adam, Nadia Akey, Shelly Kitter Back Row: Richard Udowski, Trevor M. Auben



Debate

Front Row: Chelsea Langlie-Lesnik, Caroline Diamond, Kathryn Kukla, Danielle Chiaro, Zainab Hassani Second Row: Caitlin Johnston, Hailey Hardin, Yasir Malik, Cody Reynolds, Mrs. Tammy Daugherty Back Row: Jon Glass, Maryam Khalid, Dane Mettam, James Freeman, Muhammad Mirza



Boys and Girls State

Front Row: Kelly Smith, Sarah Galtis, Tom Tokoly, Marqum Khawit, Alyssa Gallas



Speech

Front Row: Mr. Jeremy Walker, Corinne Kuchas, Kathryn Kukla, Neda Malik, Katherine Keilman, Sammy Verestino Back Row: Abdullah Malik, Marissa Feliciano, Dane Mettaji, Alison Hamilton, Caitlin Johnston



Key Club

Front Row: Elizabeth Saymanski, Jessica Formol, Michelle Dragoin, Jocelyn Fredricks, Rachel Smith, Nikoleta Jasic Second Row: Mr. Mark Cherry, Ashley Kutemeier, Kathryn Kukla, Ali VanClee, Victoria Virgus, Kyle Smith, Hayley Bowman Third Row: Meghan Proter, Mary Jacobs, Amanda Savell, Keron Schwartz, Amanda Debs, Stracy Gorkowski, Dan Downes Back Row: Meredith Malczewski, Michelle Hussey, Tom Tokoly, Eric Kutemeier, Chelsea Gora, Maria Kujala



Dog Crew

Front Row: Kade Morrison, Chase Buehling, Sam Smith, Amaris Parker, Nicole Prosser Back Row: Kate Titus, Dito Sanchez, Jazmin Eric



National Honors Society

Front Row: Anna Rudkin, Emma Rejzka, Courtney Hawk, Kristina Averette, Krystina Bullock, Ashley Dubinsky, Bailey Ayler, Paulina Bauer, Kristina Chabowski, Natalie Poloson, E. Mary Geyer Second Row: Katie Kolacz, Kristina Dubinsky, Alyssa Gallas, Shannon Blawie, Anthony Nelson, Kelly Smith, Jackie Wozniak, Kaye Miller, Jennifer Reed, Sam Boynton Third Row: John Stangel, Chelsea Corbin, Amanda Phillips, Katie Worley, Sarah Cooper, Hayley Prosser, Kristina Johnson, Jill Mandelhof, Kristina Johnson, Mallory Johnson Fourth Row: Tracy Walczko, Jylia Adams, Justin McLaughlin, Marissa Kibicki Back Row: Kaitlyn, Mike Kamei, C.J. Pyskowsky, Ben Allen, Nate Mueller, Kyle Kuchas Back Row: Chris Muller, Multinational Music, Danvers Parks, Celeste Morrison, Tom Tokoly, Courtney Perry, Jim Hansen, Marissa Damschell, Brandon Mayers



The Jugglers

Front Row: Renske Buntich, Becka Asher, Jerrianna Klye, Caroline Diamond, Michelle Kiefer, Natalie Poloson, Lynne Stanko, Kathryn Armenta, Kara Ingelhart Second Row: Mr. Kit Degenhart, Jon Newberry, Alyssa Gallas, Kyle Smith, Danny Krause, Sarah Board, Joe Camp, Kaitlyn Klein, Lindsey Pals, Kiely Schlesinger Back Row: Andrew Hodgson, Bobbie Ferrell-Brey, Nick Russ, Matt DeBooth, Corey Hill, C.J. Pawlikowski, David Young, Chris Johnson, Nate Mueller



Musical Cast

Front Row: Megan Lathin, Corinne Huxford, Kaitlin Bate, Kaitlyn Anselmi, Marissa Rimes, Nickole Shattuck, Pauline Polisson, Marissa Rimes, Rachel Nouri, Brooke Zerkow, Marissa Williams, Kristine Rodriguez, Emma Baker, Becky Logan. Second

Mr. Kit O'Connell, Michelle Kiefer, Lynn Smith, Sarah Gallas, Nathan Kline, Lindsay Pals, Charlotte Lann, Kyle Smith, Matt Smith, Kara Ingelhart, Lindsay Hanson, Yara Bacci, Cally Kline, T.J. Finner, Tom Cox, Veronica Pizarro, Nick Polisson, Mike Zoffa, Mike Lann, Simone Favor, Chrissy Kvachkoff, Mike Kmoec, Nate Mueller, Mike Mohr, Chris Johnson, Anjela Taranto, Natasha Boyd, Jessica Teske, Brooke Bonch, Shelly Armstrong, Tammie Vanderploeg, Kyle Land, Nick Ross, C.J. Pawlikowski, Sean Patrick, Matt DeRube, Simonen Fann, Jeffrey Paulsen, Corey Hill, Kurt Williams, Jordan Ford, Bryn Adam DeGib, John Lathin, Scott Rasmussen, Trece M. Aubin, Dakota Winters, Ben Allen.



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Muslim Student Association (MSA)

Front Row: Zainab Hassan, Rubiya Khan, Tuba Mirza, Mohammad Musleh, Noor Musleh, Samia Khan, Sarah Shaaban. Second Row: Aya Elshity, Needa Malik, Abdullah Malik, Nile Sobek, Mohammad Rahman, Reham Baghdadly. Back Row: Maryam Khalid, Yasir Malik, Ammer Musleh, Ahmed Nour, Ahmed Elshity.



Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA)

Front Row: Stephanie Girard, Trevor St. Aubin, Hannah DeLaigler, Lindsey Pals, Erika Malloy. Back Row: Roy Miller, Kevin Frazier Jr., C.J. Pawlikowski.



Writers and Managers

Front Row: Caroline Anderson, Kara Kozantz, Jon Newberry, Kathryn Kukla, Jessica Palfi. Second Row: David Akey, Justin Luebecke, DJ Frampton, Katie Niernan, Jay Ferrell, Mitchell Adducci. Back Row: Britt Craft, Adam Nowak, Dominique Dvojacki, Kate Titus, Justin Golob, Paul Otte, Josh Long, Josh Arnold.



Rotarians and Kiwanians

Front Row: Brittany Clements, Michelle Kiefer, Gretchen Hensley, Abdullah Malik, Kyle Smith, Natalie Polisson. Back Row: Caroline Diamond, Nicole Akey, Ben Allen, James Freeman, Chris Miller, Tom Ladendorf, Kathryn Kukla.



Excelsior

Front row: Miljana Trnec, Kevin Holmes, Joey McColley, Sammie Vercellino, Nicole Chromey Second row: Kara Melver, Bryanna Firebau, Meghan Frost, Nicole Akey, Heather Smith, Melissa Machay Back row: Mrs. Rhonda Overbeek, Jon Newberry, Danny Krause, Adam Merkel, Olivia Abbott, Katie Weller, Shannon Compton



Excelsior Editors

Front row: Heather Smith, Bryanna Firebau, Nicole Akey, Melissa Machay, Kara Melver Back row: Katie Weller, Meghan Frost, Adam Merkel, Jacob Hoffman, Jon Newberry



German Club

First row: Sam Young, Nic Adams Second row: Katie Wring, Nathan Bapple, Sarah Lawson, Jeremy Rex, Margaret Wilson Back row: Heather DiGiacomo, Alissa Isenberg, Eric Kulberg, Sydnee Reeves, Ashley Young.



German Officers

Sam Young, Ms. Katie Smolmino, Nic Adams



Musical Cast

Front Row: Alyssa Dallas, Caroline Diamond, Kristin Bae, Kathryn Armenta, Andrew Ramos, Nikkole Stagowski, Natalie Polisson, Terianne Rhye, Rachel Smith, Brandon Zakutansky, Marissa Williams, Kristina Rodriguez, Emma Baker, Becky Cygan Second Row: Mr. Kit Degenhart, Michelle Kiefer, Lynne Stanko, Sarah Gallas, Kaitlyn Klein, Lindsey Pals, Charlotte Laus, Kyle Smith, Matt Smith, Kara Inglehart, Lindsey Howe, Anna Bucci, Cally Kline, T.J. Lange Third Row: Corinne Novelli, Nick Polisson, Blake Zolfo, Mike Laus, Simone Favor, Chrissy Kvachkoff, Mike Kmec, Nate Mueller, Mike Mohr, Chris Johnson, Anjelita Tarailo, Natasha Boyd, Jessica Teske, Brooke Bonich, Shelly Armstrong, Thomas Vanderplough Back Row: Kyle Land, Nick Russ, CJ Pawlikowski, Sean Polacek, Matt DeBoth, Shannon Egan, Jeffrey Phillips, Corey Hill, Kurt Werners, Bobbie Ferrell-Brey, Adam DeBoth, John Lattuada, Scott Rutherford, Trevor St. Aubin, Brenna Werners, Jess Allen



[Lower Student Council]

First row: Natalie Spork, Nickole Stagowski, Kathryn Kulka, Amber Hart, Milijana Trisic, Kristina Budgin, Jenny Jacques
 Second row: Hannah Jaranowski, Ashley Morfin, Marissa Williams, Kara Ingelhart, Katie Oresko, Chelsea Viers, Sammy Vercellino, Nicole Chromey
 Back row: Needa Malik, Abdullah Malik, Marissa Feliziani, Sidney Reeves, Blake Zolfo, Rachel Iglesias [Amin]



[Upper Student Council]

Front row: Stacy Martin, Jake Kabelle, Chris Johnson, Michelle Kleier
 Back row: Danny Krause, William Theodoros, Carey Hill, James Freeman, Stephanie Reeve



Student Council Officers

Nicelly Kiefer, Corey Hill, Chris Johnson.



Jazz Band

Front row: Jerry Wood, Longe Ontonkaring, Mitchell DeBelle, Michael Luebske, Tyler Dillon, Amanda Schenker
 Second row: Liz Maxwell, Jackie McLaughlin, Amanda Kollak, Casey May, Nick Russ, Chris Koenig, Brad Stagowski, Wes Mungertory, Miles Davis
 Back row: Matt Barenic, Jon Parry, Phil Besette, Chris May



Struts Congress

Front row: Heather DiGiuseppe, Sam Young, Nick Adams, Ashley Young
 Second row: Mrs. Smolin
 Back row: Jeremy Rex



Bella Vire

Front row: Lauren Stokoski, Kally Kline, Anna Bue
 Second row: Amanda Reid, Gill Simplinski, Emma Baker, Corinne Lowe
 Third row: Rachel Harrison, Corinne Novelli, Sarah Ballas, Ellen Campbell, Larue Brown



Play Cast

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(\$300 Fundraiser) Mrs. Phernetton (12) who was diagnosed with cancer. On May 10, 20 percent of profits from the ice cream sale went to the Phernetton

family. Coldstone raised approximately \$300 for chemotherapy treatments and other medical expenses. "Although it was hectic, it

was great to see hundreds of people support Stephen and his family," Coldstone employee Celeste Morrison (12) said.

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By Melissa Moberg

Local businesses became the heart of the community while supplying students with jobs and supporting sports teams, student publications, and drama events.

"I started working at the Disney store in order to save money for prom," senior Kaitlin Sapita said. "But once prom was over, I started saving up for college. Also, the extra cash I had was nice."

Besides employing students, businesses also donated funds, products and services for school events and activities. Kessler Team Sports sponsored a football camp for kids, ages 5 to 11, ran by varsity football players. They donated T-shirts, water bottles, and other accessories for the camp. State representative Robert

Kuzman also provided T-shirts for the camp.

"Many businesses donated supplies for the camp," senior Andrew Krumwied said. "The funds we received really helped the camp."

In addition, local businesses offered discounts for community members and students through the use of the Go Card, a \$10 card sold through Tri Kappa. The Wedding Shoppe, other dress boutiques, and salons offered discounts on services. The proceeds from the sales of cards went directly back to the school.

While many students supported local businesses, local businesses also supported the school through students employment, donations and sponsorships.



At Borders, Katie Oresko (11) browses the magazine section. "I loved looking at the magazines because of the extensive selection," Katie said.



Kaitlyn Edwards (12) sends thank you cards to local businesses who donated Prom dresses for Kaitlyn's AP English Personal Impact Project.



Superintendent Elneman and Mrs. Julie Woodburn (Media) announce the winners of the reading contest. Organizations donated the prizes.



While grilling a Panini, Sadie Williams (12) works at The Coffee Cup. "I got to work with a lot of people I knew from school," Sadie said.



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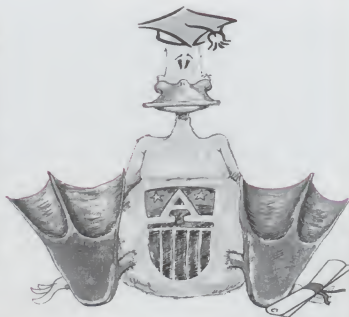
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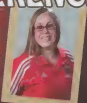
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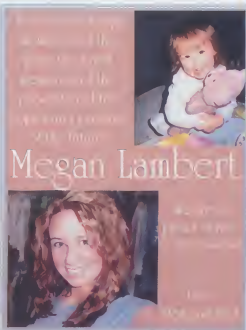


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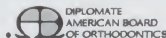
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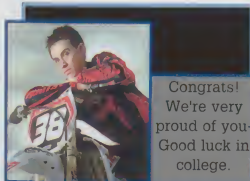
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Three years in publications. Two years serving as Editor-in-Chief. 9th in the nation. 2 different "moms." Countless friends.

Yearbook was random, to say the least. You never did know what you were to be

encountered with, like Mrs. O saying that more pages were needed for the deadline due in two days, the latest Paris update from James, Devin freaking out about Cookie Friday, a new picture in Melissa's frame, or Bryzy attacking you.

Three years ago when I filled out the application for yearbook I was unaware that I was actually joining a family, a crazy, dysfunctional family, but a family no less.

For the past three years, that family supported me, made me laugh, and was always there when I needed a hug, some comforting words, or an oatmeal creme pie.

And now, as I clean out my cubbie, pack up my coffee cup, leave the "Cozy Corner" and the "Journalism Nest," along with half of my family, I know that the other half of our family that is left behind will carry on our awesomeness. :) I love all of you guys, and you made this book amazing!

Muchos love, Nicole Akey :)

For the first time, words are beyond me. I don't think I could ever accurately describe my experiences on staff, my gratitude, or my lessons learned, but I'll try without sounding too cliché. Journalism defined high school for me. Since freshman year I had been writing stories and taking photos. By senior year, I had taken it farther - I was stalking people for quotes, designing pages, traveling across the nation to journalism conventions, and fulfilling editor duties. However, yearbook was not only an outlet for my creativity or just a class I spent time in for three hours a day, it was my family. I had spent more time with the staffers and Mrs. O than most of my family and shared more secrets with the entire staff than my best friends. Whether or not everyone wanted to hear about my newest crush or silly drama, however, is debatable. Nonetheless, I'm exceedingly proud of this book and the entire staff for their dedication and abilities. I cannot take credit for most of the accomplishments and successes because it was undeniably a team effort. This book is marvelous and we had an amazing time making it, even if somebody forgot to bring cookies on Cookie Friday or a mysterious hacker deleted our files.

Thank you. Melissa Machay



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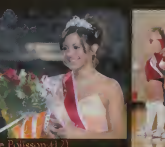
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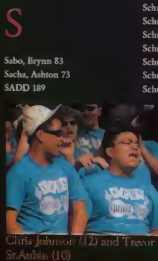


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Ben Allen, Adam Kukulski, and Corey Hill (12)

Class of 2007 graduation

Seniors toss hats in celebration

As the first class to walk the halls of the "new" high school for their entire four years, the class of 2007 also became the first class in six years to toss their hats after the traditional turning of the tassels.

James Freeman, senior class president, spoke of the changes the graduates have the opportunity to make to improve the world. He recalled memories from the four years, like the school's motivational speaker who repeated the word "perseverance" over and over, and the CP 1,2,3 writing format that had been ingrained into the students' minds.

Valedictorian Sarah Griffis suggested that each graduate search out their strengths and overcome their weaknesses, like her fear of public speaking, while Tom Tokoly, salutatorian, encouraged his class to define success for themselves and live their own lives instead of other's.

After everyone took their final walk across the stage, Shelly Keifer, Student Council president, quoted Hercules, and reminded everyone to "go the distance."

Starting a new tradition, Jon Parry conducted the orchestra as it played the school fight song. Finishing with a final "BJK" (Initials for teacher Bernie J. Kowalski) chant, the seniors celebrated their last moments as bulldogs. Mr. Ryan Pitcock (Principal) ended his speech with his famous phrase, "Make it a great day to be a Bulldog." -By Kara McIver and Devin Holme



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one. 4:43 p.m. Jon Parry conducts the orchestra in the school's fight song as the graduating class cheers "V-I-C-T-O-R-Y" for a final time. He was the first student to lead the seniors in this act. Mr. Deal had always wanted an orchestra arrangement of the school fight song, so as my senior gift to him, I set up the arrangement. It is my favorite high school moment," Jon said.

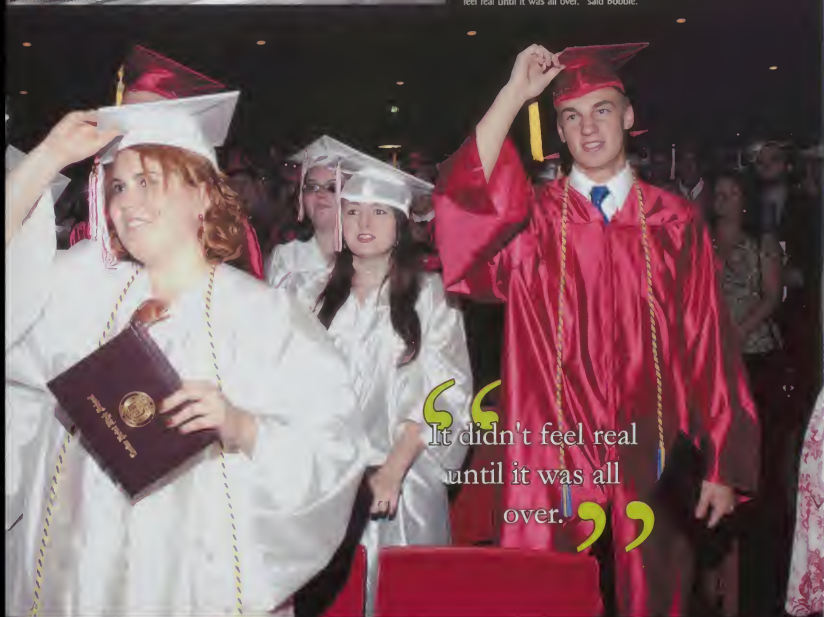
>>two. 6:45 p.m. Standing outside his door talking to fellow graduates as he waits in line prior the ceremony, James Freeman laughs and jokes, not at all nervous about the speech he would have to make in mere moments. "The truth is that looking toward the future is the only thing that has genuinely inspired mankind," he said while urging his classmates to make positive changes on their world.



>>three, 6:45 p.m. Fixing his cap just before commencement, Brian Birmingham prepares to enter the auditorium. He said, "Graduation was the moment I looked forward to for four years."

>>four, 6:45 p.m. Becky Hines and Natalie Polisson redo their hair in the bathroom before the start. "I was really nervous about tripping in my heels, but it all ended up being a really good night," Becky said. "It was a really emotional experience."

>>five, 6:45 p.m. Bobbie Ferrel-Brey, Bryanna Fitchau, Alaina Hochstetler and Jacob Hoffman prepare to throw their caps for the first time during Mr. Pitcock's tenure as principal. At practice he told the class that it had not been done in several years. "It didn't feel real until it was all over," said Bobbie.



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>>One. During C-lunch in the courtyard, Matt Weissbradley, Andrew Bagnera and Jake Kryda bathe in the sunlight "We always went outside when it was warm enough," Matt said. "Why would you be inside, when you could have been outside?" Jake asked rhetorically.

>>Two. Senior class president James Freeman dances with Nikki Turner while Lynsey Brucato dances with Natalie Lesko at the Spring Fling Dance. "I really enjoyed myself at the Spring Fling. It was nice to be able to go since I was involved in Student Council," James said.

>>Three. During D-lunch, Britt Craft and Holly Sheffer pick up their formal portraits from Prom. Larry Titak photographed and distributed the portraits which featured the students standing in front of New York's Central Park for the theme of "A Walk In the Park."



Photo by Brenna Fincharu

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numbers.....

Although the year was coming to an end, the numbers that we experienced throughout the long school days continued to pop up in our lives.

Five-hundred and thirty-nine seniors were eager to leave behind their scores from UBD, SAT, ACT, and AP tests for the final time. However, they still had numbers to worry about in the future. College tuition, book fees, car payments, cell phone bills, and rent were just a few of the many numbers that they would soon encounter.

Over 1750 underclassmen kept important dates in mind, such as those for standardized tests, athletic practices, and college visits. Their time spent at practices, school, and completing numerous tests would still continue next year.

Until then, however, over ninety days of summer freedom was a hand...ninety days of the seeing friends, sleeping late, going to the beach, attending open houses, and spending time on family vacations.

Statistics, data, dates, census, time and revenue; all those **Numbers**. They said so much about us. Actually, they defined who we were and what we were about.

by Nicole Akey, Shannon Compton, and Nicole Krnich

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defined us



the date in June
underclassmen were released.

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the numbers of cakes placed on
display in the cake decorating
contest for Ms. Lorenz's class.

46

the date of graduation in June.

11th



>>One: Kelsey Rather and Jesse Wauts attempt to decide which cake they should vote for on their ballot. During all lunch hours, Advanced Foods' students set their decorated cakes out for student to vote on.

Photo by Bryce Fitzhugh

the year of numbers!

2007

the 1990s, the number of people in the UK who are aged 65 and over has increased by 1.5 million, and the number of people aged 75 and over has increased by 1.1 million (Office of National Statistics 1999). The number of people aged 65 and over is projected to increase to 6.5 million by 2011, and the number of people aged 75 and over to 4.5 million (Office of National Statistics 1999).

There is a growing awareness of the need to develop services to meet the needs of older people, and the need to ensure that services are accessible to older people. The Department of Health (1999) has published a strategy for older people, which sets out the government's commitment to older people and the need to develop services to meet their needs. The strategy also sets out the need to ensure that services are accessible to older people, and that older people are able to participate in decisions about their care and services.

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